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More Bethel trash must go to transfer sta.

By MICHAEL DANIELS

With a state deadline for closing the town's landfill little more than two weeks off, Bethel learned last week that once the landfill is closed the town will no longer be able to dispose of demolition debris, white goods, scrap metal and tires at the site.

The Bethel landfill, where such debris currently collects in piles, must be closed by Dec. 31--along with 260 other dumps statewide.

And last week the DEP turned down the town's application (filed in February) for the continued partial use of the Route 2 site.

The town will still be able to use the new transfer station being constructed adjacent to the present landfill site, but additional containers will now have to be added to the transfer station to accommodate the metal/demolition/tires/white-goods waste.

According to the DEP all such debris must now be collected in watertight containers, and the burning of any debris at the site must cease.

The new transfer station is expected to be open by year's end. The station will have an attendant and is tentatively scheduled to be open for the same hours the landfill currently is, according to Town Manager Madeleine Henley, and current landfill stickers will be valid for use there.

The operation of the town's recy-

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Rebel girls seeking first basketball win

By WENDY HANSCOM

The Telstar girls' basketball team will be throwing more experience at opponents this season, but its uncertain if that experience can be converted into wins.

Last year, the Rebels graduated only two seniors--Jen Bailey and Dawn Davis.

This season's five starters are all returning lettermen. But even with some experience behind them, competition in the Mountain Valley Conference is very tough and the Telstar girls will likely be out-classed, according to fifth-year coach Barb Dunham.

"In this league we come up against a lot of good teams," Dunham said. "This team has improved since we began practice. But compared to a lot of the people we play, they've got a long way to go. They're just not up to the caliber of the rest of the league." Last season, the team posted a 3-13 record.

Losing starting guard and Telstar

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OH, THOSE LAST MINUTE CHRISTMAS GIFT DECISIONS--Crescent Park School pupils Matt and Allie Petillo seem to be having difficulty telling Santa (George Wight) just what they hope to get for Christmas. In addition to Santa's visit, the school's family fun day, held Sunday, also featured horse-drawn wagon rides, hot chocolate and cookies. (Photo by Wendy Hanscom)

Local jobless picture brightens

Fewer people in the Norway-Paris and Rumford area were out of work during October than in September, according to the latest state unemployment figures.

(The Rumford labor Market includes most of the towns of SAD 44, except for Greenwood and Woodstock, which are included in the Norway-Paris area.)

Norway-South Paris area

The jobless rate for the Norway-South Paris area in October was at 7.6 percent, compared to a rate of 8.4 percent in September, according to statistics released by the Bureau of Employment Security in Lewiston.

Bureau Manager Gerard Dennison said that while there was a slight decrease in the numbers of people working in the area, due to the closing of summer camp sites and seasonal employers, the numbers of people out of work went down due to holiday hirings and a strengthen-

ing wood and construction industry.

In October there were 12,680 people working in the Norway-Paris area, with 960 people out of work. In September the labor force was 12,760 people with 1,070 unemployed.

Rumford labor market

The unemployment rate for the Rumford Labor Market Area also dropped for the third month in a row in October to 7.3 percent, down from 8.1 percent in September and 8.5 percent a year ago in October.

The decrease in unemployment in the Rumford area was due to more hiring in the ski industry, construction and department stores, according to Dennison.

He said those increases offset slight decreases in hotel and lodging services and the paper industry.

"It all looks a lot better than it did last year," said Dennison.

The labor analyst said a big difference is consumers' increased

spending confidence. He said they are no longer suffering from the "I'll be next syndrome."

"It seemed like every time I used to pick up the paper, there was a number of plant layoffs," said Dennison. "The last (financial) quarter or so there haven't been any big plant closings. People are not as afraid."

"A lot of people probably have done a lot of remodeling around their homes," Dennison said.

Dennison, however, cautioned the country is not coming out of the recession as strongly as it traditionally does in terms of quarterly growth in the gross national product.

The five communities with the highest unemployment rate for October were Greenville, at eight percent; Calais-Eastport and Belfast, at 8.3 percent; Caribou-Presque Isle, at

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SAD 44 board agrees to study condom issue

Refers question to policy committee, despite vocal parental opposition

By WENDY HANSCOM

After discussion that stretched out for more than three hours Monday night, the SAD 44 school board voted to explore creating a policy to make condoms available to all Telstar high/middle school students through the school nurse.

The decision does not create a policy making condoms available to students. It is simply the first step in the policy-making process.

Monday night's board meeting drew nearly 50 people. The board listened to over 90 minutes of public comment on in-school condom distribution.

The public discussion was for the most part an amicable exchange of opinions. But the question eventually bogged down in a procedural quagmire, which resulted in the board first voting down a condom-policy study, then reversing itself and going ahead with the study.

The whys and why not

Those speaking in favor of creating a condom-distribution policy cited health concerns, including

teenage pregnancy, sexually transmitted disease and AIDS.

"We have a school nurse that is paid to pass out information," said Jane Chandler of Woodstock. "I feel it's a very reasonable action that could save a life. It's not 100 percent, but it's better than nothing. We can educate our children, but they're going to make their own value decisions."

Barbara Simmons of the Bethel Area Health Center said the center has been dispensing free condoms in its restrooms since spring.

"Since the middle of April we have dispensed about 250 condoms," Simmons said. "It seldom runs out, but when it does, we've had young adults come up to the counter and ask for them. We're not promoting sex. We want to protect people. If we can save just one person from getting a sexually transmitted disease then the program is worth it."

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Ccat team: Drugs costing us all

"I missed days at work, cost the company medical bills, and when I was there I wasn't really there."

MARK SWETT

Coordinator

Boise Cascade

Employee Assistance Program

By WENDY HANSCOM

Increased family violence, lost business revenue, diminished academic, workplace and social achievement and more.

Those are only some of the effects of substance abuse, according to a panel assembled by the Community Chemical Awareness Team (Ccat) to discuss the prevention of drug and alcohol abuse.

Ccat wants to see all efforts in the SAD 44 area to combat drug and alcohol abuse combined into a "community partnership." Ccat members say if the community combines its resources, the combination would result in increased awareness of the problem and lessen the impact of abuse in the area.

The group took a preliminary step toward that goal last week, when it sponsored a panel discussion on the effects of substance abuse in the some of the services currently available to treat it.

To the organizers' disappointment, however, only eight people turned out for last week's meeting.

Workplace substance abuse

Substance abuse in the workplace was the major focus of last week's discussion.

Employee drug abuse results in lost time, low productivity, increased sick benefits, on-the-job ac-

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GERONIMO! NOT! CPS fifth-grader Nick Katlin was the only airborne trooper in sight last Friday, as a low cloud cover forced cancellation of the scheduled Special Forces parachute jump near Vernon Street.

Here disappointed CPS pupils, who had come down to watch the jump, start the long trek back to the books. (Photo by Michael Daniels)

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Letters to the editor

BINGO CRITICISM OFF-BASE

To the Editor:

As a member of the Bethel Community for over ten years, I must take exception to the flagrant attack on my moral character, as well as the character and morals of the hundreds of my friends and neighbors who enjoy the game of bingo for what it is.

Surely a person who had hoped to be our senator in Augusta would be expected to do his homework before passing judgment on events, that have been taking place in the Bethel area for over 50 years, without first finding out what it is all about. Mr. Hansen, I believe is trying to compare apples and oranges. I have never been to Atlantic City, but in talking with people who have, I don't believe bingo is offered in any of its casinos, and I for one have never seen prostitution offered at any of the bingo halls that I have been to. I find it very offensive that a person, without any personal knowledge, should associate the American Legion with promoting organized crime.

Gambling by definition is: to take a risk in order to gain some advantage. I quote Mr. Hansen from his letter to the editor of Dec. 9: "Gambling of any kind is morally wrong."

This is coming from a man who recently spent almost \$20,000, most of which was from other people, in an unsuccessful run for state senator. Shame, Shame.

What is Mr. Hansen's occupation? Developer! Try to convince the sayings and loan industry that there is no risk in that. And talk about high stakes. Wow!

The Boston Tea Party was a gamble, declaring their independence from a repressive government was very risky and the lives of many good Americans have been lost in it's defense over the years.

Our government, on all levels, is struggling to balance the budget. Programs affecting all of us are being cut in the process. No more music, can't afford it; fee-free sports, can't afford it; housing, fuel assistance, health care, all required, but we just can't afford it.

Well, organizations such as the American Legion, the Eagles, the Lions, The Catholic Church and, yes, the Native Americans and many many more are trying to do their part to help. Thousands of people volunteer and thousands of people are helped. Bingo is one of the methods used to raise needed revenues to continue programs that are being called upon more and more.

Do we reduce the quality of life in the Bethel area? I think not, in fact I am proud of the effort we have produced, and I am very thankful for the mutual cooperation we have received from other organizations and individuals who never get enough thanks for their help.

Maybe bingo isn't the best way to achieve our goals. If Mr. Hansen has a better idea, I am sure he would have our attention if he wished to get involved. Recently the Locke Mills American Legion Post, in cooperation with Oxford County Head Start, the Christmas for Families Program in Bethel and the Passamaquoddy Indians raised over \$5,000 for the kids of Bethel and Oxford County. Maybe Mr. Hansen could match these efforts, we would welcome his help.

Mr. Hansen is under the impression that bingo players have a dober in one hand and a bottle of beer in the other, and that we all go out to topless bars after the game. This comes as quite a surprise to people who know the facts, and I find it insulting to myself and all the friends I

have met through bingo. If in fact Mr. Hansen has traveled the country and visited areas that have bingo halls, be they high or low stakes, his eyes must have been closed at the time. Judging by the newspapers, I would say that the problems U.M.O. is having with frat parties has yet to be linked to the bingo players on Indian island.

This letter is just my opinion and in no way do I speak for the American Legion on this matter.

Brian J. Strickland
Bethel

DRUGS? PROSTITUTES?

To the Editor:

I'm writing this letter after seeing last week's paper. I am a 24-year-old that is married and has two children, and I work for a living. I play bingo and I don't do drugs, and I am sure not a prostitute. I have gone to play high-stakes bingo and where I have gone I did not see any topless bars or prostitutes on the corners or even drugs.

What I see are people ages 22 to 90 playing bingo and having a good time. I also think that this bingo hall that they are talking about is and will be great in the Bethel area. Look at all the jobs that this will give people. You know, I used to live in Bethel and went to the Bethel schools and I had to move away. Why? Because there were no jobs. This will also help the area when ski season is over. Also, just to let you know that I and many of my friends that play bingo have no idea where last week's letter writer got his information from, but I or we have never seen any drugs, booze or prostitutes in any bingo hall.

By the way my grandmother, mother, father also play bingo and none of them do drugs, drink or are prostitutes and I don't think they know anyone that do or are these things.

Mrs. Tab M. Blodgett
Rumford

BINGO'S A GOOD CHANCE

To the Editor:

I have been reading about bingo for the past three weeks.

I honestly think that "Bingo" high-stakes or not would be good for our town.

I play bingo and, yes, it's a chance (or) gamble. Just like it's a chance (or) gamble to play the lottery—pick three or four and even the pick five numbers, right along with the scratch off tickets.

Look, I have been playing bingo for the past 15 years; I have played in all kinds of halls and at high-stakes and I have never seen any prostitution, drugs or drunks.

And to say that we (the bingo players and workers) are or will cause these things I think someone should come out of the Ice Age and see that things are changing and they better smell the flowers themselves.

And some say they don't gamble themselves or take chances, but in fact, we all do. Isn't it true when we go to sleep that there's a chance we may or may not wake up the following day?

V.J. Stubbs
Bethel

CCAT'S READY TO HELP

To the Editor:

Many thanks to the Community Chemical Awareness Team for their panel discussion Dec. 8 on substance abuse and the help available to deal with it. It was excellent.

The five presenters know many frightening and depressing facts about the hurt caused by unwise use of drugs in our communities. The spiritual, sexual and physical pain, lost work time, accidents and untimely deaths associated with chemical misuse are indeed appalling.

Never in all the discussions did I sense anyone putting down people whose use of chemicals was harming themselves, their families or others. The emphasis was all on how we can get help to deal with drug



HIGH AND STILL DRY—Gould Academy ski jumpers Nathan Wight and Amy Todd were hard at work last week on the school's jump site on the Sunday River Road. Coach John Wight had hoped the massive snow storm predicted for the end of the week would allow practice to begin as early as this week, but the storm went south, dusting western Maine with only a few flurries. Locally, the most visible impact of the storm was the lack of weekend skiers from Massachusetts, where high winds and over 30 inches of snow made escape to Maine for the weekend impossible. (Photo by Michael Daniels)

Augusta's stocking stiffers

By MIKE BROWN

Maine citizens will not be getting any Christmas stocking stuffers from the Maine Legislature this year. On the contrary, they will be stiffed.

Gov. John McKernan's fiscal beagle, Sawin Millett, started the doomsday scenario a month ago when he said the state faced a billion dollar shortfall in the coming budget. Everything seems to be going downhill (uphill?) ever since.

The governor is doing a series of budget "town meetings" to less than SRO audiences. The commissioner of education, Leo Martin, is spreading the word that school districts can't even expect level funding next year. State workers are hanging on the no-contract hook. The head honcho lobbyist for municipalities, Maine Municipal Association, tells the locals that revenue sharing will be lean and mean.

And the bleak scepter poised overall is a report by something called the Maine Consensus Economic Forecasting Commission, which told Gov. McKernan a couple weeks ago that Maine's economy "will trace a path of very slow growth through 1995." That forecast sees a wage and salary employment growth of 0.6 percent in 1993, 1.5 percent in 1994 and 1.7 percent in 1995.

If Maine municipal officials expect to service their citizens' needs next year, they will have to do it with far less state moneys. That means, of course, higher local taxes.

The state must cut its spending to legally balance its income. That can only mean, in the words of famous bank heister, Willie Sutton, going where the money is. The business of public education, and it is a business, is the largest single expense of Maine taxpayers.

Most educational critiques today reveal that Maine education, not unlike that in most other states, is quality flawed. What Maine pays for a cracked product is scary. The actual education costs for the base year 1991-92 (those expenditures from state and local moneys only) were approximately \$1.12 billion.

abuse in very practical and accessible ways, and the expertise and concern shown by these panelists gave us all hope and encouragement.

I commend the panel members and CCAT for putting on this event. Now it is our turn. As misusers, or as their families, neighbors or employers, let us face up to our problems with alcohol and other drugs and work together to improve the quality of life in our families and communities. The Team stands ready to help us. Again, thanks.

Brendon Bass
Bethel

MISSING MUSA

To the Editor:

As a professional historian, theoretically trained to understand and explain the inevitability and im-

plications of change in human society, I must admit that like many human beings, I still prefer the familiar and nostalgic. It is difficult to convince myself that I must always think in new terms and constantly respond to the demands of the future.

That is, perhaps, part of the reason that I find Musa Brown's retirement so difficult to accept. Except for Colleen Boyd at the Bethel Savings Bank, she is the last of the personnel that I knew in the Bethel business world as a Gould Academy student in the late 1950s and early 1960s to depart. During my high school years, it was Alton Carroll at Bosserman's (now Preb's); Colleen Boyd, Doris Brown, Faye Taylor, Betty Anderson, and Kimball Ames at the Bethel Savings Bank; Abby Brown, Jim and Bea Brown at Brown's Variety (now Kennett Real

Estate); "Pete" Chapin at Bethel Shell (Now Irving) to name a few. All of the above have either died or retired some time ago.

I did not know Musa well until becoming director of the Society in 1974. In that capacity, there was considerable contact along with the Brown brothers (John, Don and Musa's husband, Edwin). I found it a pleasure to deal with them, and I always knew that if I asked Musa to do something, it would be done, correctly and efficiently. Following the sale of the newspaper by the Brown family, it was comforting to have Musa still there since I could be certain if I dealt with her, things would be done to my complete satisfaction.

Through the years, Musa would call if something in my column seemed incorrect to her and we would try to find out whether or not

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my information was faulty. She saved me from making a number of errors. Occasionally, when I went in to take in my news, pick up some printing, or buy some office supplies, Musa and I would have a conversation about something or somebody in town. I invariably had the feeling she was always telling it as she saw it and I always felt secure that I could tell Musa just what I thought without fear that it would travel any further. We usually agreed on issues and our opinions of various individuals did not markedly differ.

In short, Musa was the ideal employee for any business, intelligent, courteous, kind, patient, helpful, and extremely competent. It doesn't seem possible that I won't see her working in the Citizen office any longer. In a world that is changing so incredibly fast, it was comforting to have one piece of my experience that was a constant. Now even that has gone, and I must, along with

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CCAT PANELISTS—The CCAT sponsored a panel discussion on substance abuse in the community. Bethel Hills coordinator of ship; Lynn Mason, director

Drugs

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cidents and increased Worker's compensation claims, according to panel. All these things businesses to lose revenue.

Figures supplied by Tri-C Mental Health Service of estimate that 12 percent of the workforce has alcohol related problems, which costs the U.S. \$100 billion per year.

One way to help workers substance abuse problems is to establish employee assistance programs (EAPs), according to Swett, who coordinates Boise's cadet of Rumford's EPA.

Swett said he knows first-hand how employee drug abuse businesses.

"During my first three years in Boise, I was an alcoholic and abuser," Swett said. "I became alcoholic at the age of 13. In school I went into the military and drank heavily for four years. I started at Boise Cascade I was through a divorce and cocaine, coked up or smoking was dying one day at a time."

"I missed days at work, company medical bills and was there I wasn't really there depended upon the mood I was in. What kind of product I put out. Swett said EAPs give employees a chance to help themselves and businesses money.

"If you're going to run a business in a community and don't have people, they're going to be dysfunctional," Swett said. "The problem is always to be there."

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my information was faulty. She saved me from making a number of errors. Occasionally, when I went in to take in my news, pick up some printing, or buy some office supplies, Musa and I would have a conversation about something or somebody in town. I invariably had the feeling she was always telling it as she saw it and I always felt secure that I could tell Musa just what I thought without fear that it would travel any further. We usually agreed on issues and our opinions of various individuals did not markedly differ.

In short, Musa was the ideal employee for any business, intelligent, courteous, kind, patient, helpful, and extremely competent. It doesn't seem possible that I won't see her working in the Citizen office any longer. In a world that is changing so incredibly fast, it was comforting to have one piece of my experience that was a constant. Now even that has gone, and I must, along with



CCAT PANELISTS—The Community Chemical Awareness Team sponsored a panel discussion last Tuesday of the effects of substance abuse in the community. Taking part were: Dane Tripp, left, Oxford Hills coordinator of the Western Maine Community Partnership; Lynn Mason, director of Safer Families in Bethel; Mark Swett,

coordinator of Boise Cascade's Employee Assistance Program; Becky Hardy, Tri-County Mental Health therapist; and Nathan Seckinger, Coast team coordinator and Bethel Alliance Church minister.

(Photo by Wendy Hanscom)

Drugs

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accidents and increased Worker Compensation claims, according to the panel. All these things cause businesses to lose revenue.

Figures supplied by Tri-County Mental Health Service officials estimate that 12 percent of the U.S. workforce has alcohol related problems, which costs the U.S. over \$100 billion per year.

One way to help workers with substance abuse problems is to establish employee assistance programs (EAPs), according to Mark Swett, who coordinates Boise Cascade of Rumford's EPA.

Swett said he knows first hand how employee drug abuse affects businesses.

"During my first three years at Boise, I was an alcoholic and a drug abuser," Swett said. "I became an alcoholic at the age of 13. After school I went into the military and I drank heavily for four years. When I started at Boise Cascade I was going through a divorce and coming in drunk, coked up or smoking pot. I was dying one day at a time."

"I missed days at work, cost the company medical bills and when I was there I wasn't really there—it all depended upon the mood I was in what kind of product I put out."

Swett said EAPs give employees a chance to help themselves and save businesses money.

"If you're going to run a business in a community and don't help people, they're going to become dysfunctional," Swett said. "Their offspring will also become dysfunctional. The problem is always going to be there."

One of the few EAPs in the Bethel area is the for SAD 44 employees.

District Superintendent Dwayne Craig said about a dozen SAD 44 employees and their families have used the four-year-old program, which provides substance abuse counseling and help with other family problems.

"I've seen a benefit in some employees and their families," Craig said. "The service can make better employees because it helps take some of the pressure off them."

Tri-County Mental Health helps

Families project coordinator Lynn Mason.

"Of the last 43 cases that we've had in the past three months, I would estimate that 99 percent of them are linked to substance abuse," Mason said. "And the drug of choice in Oxford County seems to be alcohol."

"We can't ignore the connection between substance abuse and violence. What scares me is the number of children involved. When they see the violence, they see role models. The family is apparently the

enough, and unite, then they can put unity in the community."

"Each community has resources to deal with substance abuse and alcohol problems. It's just getting those resources to work together."

Panel member Nathan Seckinger of the Bethel Alliance Church agreed, "I haven't met anybody in my congregation who has said, 'I wanted to be an alcoholic or drug addict, I wanted to get drunk and beat my kids.'"

"We need to be a community that's bound together in fighting this problem," said Seckinger, who is also a Coast Team coordinator.

It's a start

Tripp said the Oxford Hills community partnership started with only four interested people and grew to a large organization. The Oxford Hills program now sponsors educational programs and annual events, produces a substance abuse resource and referral pamphlet, helped establish the Oxford House for recovering substance abusers, and is involved with several other activities related to substance abuse.

Coast Team Coordinator Wendy Penley said SAD 44 area group will continue to try and whip up support for a community partnership to fight substance abuse.

Penley said she was disappointed with the turn out at last week's meeting.

"We sent out 180 letters to local businesses and others," Penley said. "I learned from this meeting that you have to be relentless. I think the fact that eight people were interested enough to come out at this busy time of year is encouraging. We're not going to give up."

"The drug of choice in Oxford County seems to be alcohol."

LYNN MASON
Coordinator
Safer Families Project

run SAD 44's program and several other EAPs throughout its service area of Oxford, Androscoggin and Franklin counties.

"EAPs provide care and help improve the total well-being of a community," said Tri-County Mental Health therapist Becky Hardy. "Employee assistance programs statistically help increase employee productivity, decrease absenteeism, help decrease the use of sick days, help decrease use of insurance coverage and increase staff morale."

Increased family violence
Most people who have problems with substance abuse at work, bring those problems home with them, and that can result in increased family violence, according to Safer

most violent place in America today."

Mason said her program helps provide battered women and children with counseling, support groups, legal advocacy and shelter in a family emergency.

Community involvement

Getting the community involved is the first step in helping substance abusers and preventing future abuse, said Dane Tripp, Oxford Hills Coordinator of the Western Maine Community Partnership.

"Of the 15 counties in Maine, Oxford County is number one in mortality rates due to alcohol problems—at 31.7 percent (deaths related to alcohol consumption)," Tripp said. "But when people come together and say they've had

Letters

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many others, wish her a long and healthy retirement.

Stan Howe
Bethel

MUSA SAYS 'THANKS'

To the Editor:

"It's easy to write a thank you note. Just tell me what you want to say." I've heard myself give that advice many times over the last 33 years. And I usually added this bit of counseling, "Make it brief, but so no one will be left out, use words and phrases such as 'everyone,' 'friends and relatives,' 'all the gifts, messages, etc.'; and add a special thanks to those who really deserve it." Now I find it isn't always easy to say it or make it brief, but here it is...

Thank you to all "the kids" at The

Citizen, my friends at Michael's at l'Auberge and Paul for my retirement party. It was great. Thanks to all who attended, sent cards and gifts, phoned congratulations or dropped in at work or my home to wish me well. I especially enjoyed the words of wisdom from the elite group I now am joining, and they will be wisely heeded!

Thank you to my family for their love and support and to my extended family (both past and present) at The Citizen, who have provided a wealth of friendship, happiness and tears to make my years there rewarding and interesting. So to employers, co-workers, and customers, "Thanks and Cheers! I'll miss you."

Musa Brown
Bethel

Trash

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cling center on Cross Street is not affected by these latest changes, Henley said.

The Bethel selectmen, at a special meeting Monday night, reviewed the options for disposing of the various types of waste. It was decided to negotiate a contract with Grimm Industries of Lewiston for the disposal of metal waste (including white goods), and to work with BAR Corporation on the disposal of tires and demolition debris.

A number of final details for the town's post-New Year's solid waste plans are still to be worked out—including whether or not some types of waste from Newry and Hanover will still be accepted there, and if so for how long.

Note: The Citizen's Dec. 30 issue will contain a updated overview of the solid waste situation, and a detailed breakdown of how (and where) residents are being asked to dispose of various types of trash.

From the Bethel Police log:

Hit and run driver foils canine unit; accident on the cloverleaf

Bethel police are investigating a hit and run accident, that occurred Wednesday night on the Northwest Bethel Road.

Mary Chapman of Gilead was headed towards Bethel when she saw a red pickup truck traveling without its headlights in the wrong lane, police say. Chapman swerved to avoid the truck, but the two vehicles side-swiped each other. Both vehicles were totaled.

The police report says the driver of the pickup truck then ran into the woods. Police called in a State Police canine unit, but the dogs lost the scent just off the road. Police have a suspect in the case and suspect another person was in the pickup truck, according to Chief Dale Bellman. There were no witnesses to the accident, he said.

Sunday afternoon police responded to an accident on the Route 26 cloverleaf. Cavanaugh Kelly, 30, of Gray ran the stop sign and hit Steve Walker, 37, of Locke Mills, according to the police report. Kelly had a minor cut on his nose. No other injuries were reported. Damage estimate to Kelly's vehicle was \$1,500 and \$2,000 to Walker's.

In other police news Wednesday, Linda Saunders reported someone had stolen a Christmas tree valued at \$25 from her porch.

Later Wednesday, David L. Rose, 23, of Bethel was arrested for domestic criminal mischief. No other details were available.

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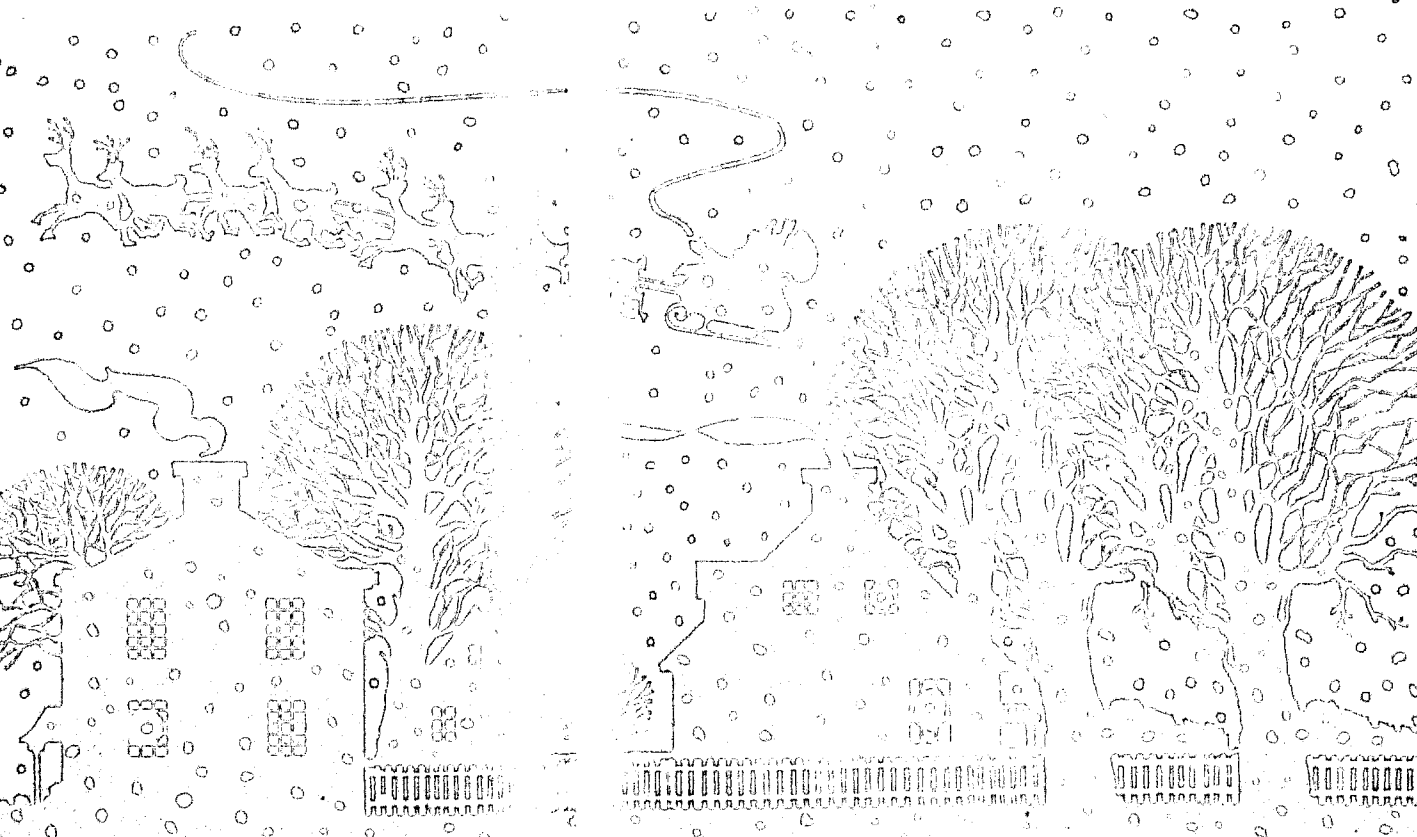
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CHRISTMAS WATCH—Woodstock Elementary School kindergarten students watch their fellow second-graders perform during the school's holiday concert. It was standing room only at the annual event. Elementary music teacher Linda Stowell conducted the performance. (Photo by Frank Boynton)

Agnes Gray School

By MARTA CLEMENTS

Christmas parties are being planned and anticipation is rising. Each class will be exchanging gifts and room mothers are soliciting refreshments. We are going to try something different this year. Instead of having our party the day before vacation, we are going to move it up a day and celebrate on Monday, the 21st. Others who have done this say a much more productive, calmer day will ensue in which to wrap up for the Christmas break!

Students in my fifth grade class were delighted to find out how quickly our letters to service persons were received. Several have received replies already from marines stationed in Kuwait. Their responses indicated that they truly appreciated our efforts, cards and letters. We in turn are very pleased with our letters also.

This week's focus is on Mrs. Merrill's second grade. The class is currently studying Christmas traditions of different countries around the world. What makes this project really special is that the countries chosen are based on the students' ancestries. The children are learning to locate their country on a map, identify the continent and learn how to say Merry Christmas in that language.

The second grade is also learning letter writing skills and will be exchanging pen pal letters with second grades in Mrs. Denise Bigger's class in Oxford.

Mrs. Merrill and her class are

reading together "Knots On A Counting Rope," a book about Native American traditions. They will continue to read stories of other countries, cultures and traditions.

Several parents have visited the class to share their favorite books and special talents. Thanks go to Jane Abbott, Janelle Wilcox, Lisa Beebe and Michelle Blake.

In science the class has been learning about seeds and their environment and they have planted some. They are studying nutrition and health foods.

They are also continuing to practice the relaxation techniques they've been learning with Mr. Grigsby. This is a good time of year for all of us to practice stress management and relaxation. Merry Christmas.

REBEL HOOPSTERS 0-3

The Telstar High School boys' basketball team lost two games last week.

The Rebels lost Saturday to Dixfield, 79-49. Chris Howe was high scorer with 16 points. Todd Wing tossed in 14.

Coach Mark Thurlow said the point gap was large because he played several young players in the fourth quarter.

Monday's game was much closer. Telstar lost to Carrabec by 6 points, 69-63. The Rebel's high scorer was David Barnes with 20 points. Howe sunk 14.

The boys are scheduled to play at home again on Tuesday, Dec. 22. The J.V. play starts at 5:30 p.m. The varsity should begin by 7 p.m.

Gould ski coaches train with the elite

Gould alpine ski coaches Lauren Head, Sue Gardner and Uel Gardner recently attended the US Ski Coaches Association's Elite Coaches Clinic at Killington ski area in Vermont.

The clinic was held in conjunction with a US Ski Team camp for the Eastern Regional Team and involved 35 invited coaches from eastern region ski programs. The main focus of the clinic was a sharing of information and ideas between the various coaches, the US Ski Coaches Association, and the US Ski Team.

Of particular interest was discussion of the USST's new technical statement on the direction of ski technique and the development of common terminology between coaches and ski teachers nationwide. The clinic also provided valuable information on training methodology and athlete tracking as developed by the US Team.

The following week Gould alpine ski coaches Uel Gardner and Doug Alford attended the US Ski Coaches Association Level I Clinic at Sunday River Skiway.

Alford, who is new to the program at Gould, spent the three day clinic learning about the basics of alpine coaching, strength training, athlete management, course setting and sport psychology. The three-day clinics use both lecture and on-snow teaching as the first step in the USSCA's Coaches Education Program. Coach Gardner worked as an on-snow clinician.

CRESCENT PARK SCHOOL

Grade 4

High Honors: Stephanie Vaughan, Stephanie Gavett, Annie Kennett, Amanda McGrew, Marianne Nadeau, Colin Penley, Ben Vonderheide, Peter Lutley, Kelly Walker.

Honors: Amber Bachelder, Paige Brown, Thomas Parsons, Kimberly Tibbetts, Justin Wight, Daniel Zinchuk, Jaime Caron, Patrick Donovan, Emily Gilbert, Sarah Reed, Alex Johnson, Steven Lavallee, Bobbie Lynn McKenna, Holly Merrill.

Grade 5

Honors: Abbie Beane, Jonathan Hooper, Lydia Mills, Samantha Mullen, Heather Roderick, Anna Sysko, Chad Bean, Sarah Marshall, Emily Parsons, Amy Robertson, Carrie Rolfe, Rebecca Rolford, Sarah Vedella, Tanya Cole, Lisa Crowell, Erin Dennis, Sarah Rackliffe.

High Honors: Gail Aloisio

WOODSTOCK ELEM. SCHOOL

Grade 4

All A's: Caitlin Gallagher, Fern Hickey, Heather Jordan, Greg Koch, and Kate O'Rourke.

A's and B's: Bridget Billings, Maire Cole, Nathan Hurd, Alishia Miclon, Matthew Moore, Justin O'Donnell, Renee Royer, and Sheryl Westleigh.

Grade 5

A's and B's: Ross Baker and Amy Hebert.

All B's: Jerry Irons and Lacey Palmer.

JASON WALEGA AT B.U.

Jason Walega of Bethel is one of more than 320 freshmen studying at Boston University's School of Management.

Walega, a graduate of Gould Academy, plans to major in business. He is the son of Rose Summer.

TELSTAR H.S. PLAYERS

PRESENT "THE FOREIGNER"

The Telstar High School Drama Club will perform "The Foreigner" by Larry Shue on Dec. 17, 18 and 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Helen Berry Auditorium at Telstar.

The play will be directed by Bunny K. Latham with assistance from Amiee Kauback.

The cast includes: Darren Wigley, Andy Dennis, Terri Applin, Heather Harrison, Shane Billings, Peter Misericordia, Chad Bishop, Sean Hawkes, Aaron Paul, Josh Buker, Jessica Coolidge, Amanda Gilbert, Jenn Bowie, Jennie Cooley and Jaimee Bolio.

TELSTAR MIDDLE SCHOOL

Grade 6

First Honors: Jeffrey Chandler, Emily Phillips, Samuel Sayen and Jenny Wheeler.

Second Honors: Stacy Bachelder, Mariah Boelsma, Lionel Boynton, Phoebe Brown, Victoria Coolidge, Jeremy Curley, Malinda Gilbert, Jamie Johnson, Linda Mills, Erin Osgood, Sarah Paul, Jason Poirier, Erin Riley, Shawna Roderick, Jennifer Stevens, and Eva Taylor.

Third Honors: Mandy Berry, Angela Buker, Jennifer Evans, Jaime Grover, James Haines, Carla Harlow, Ramsey Harrington, Jeffrey Johnston, Emily Morton, Neil Thurlow, and Toni Lynn Vacca.

Grade 7

First Honors: Caitlin Bass: Teri Chadbourne; Katie Chapman Megan Cole; Vanessa Morgan and Laurie Young.

Second Honors: Jill Angevine; Kimberly Baker; Victoria Chase; Melinda Cooley; Martha Grover; Elizabeth Kuzky; Michelle McInnis; Darcy Morse; Jason Mullen; Kate Nickerson; Monica Smith; Karen Thurston; and Grayson Wakefield.

Third Honors: Rebecca Fraser; Jerry Greenwell; Jayson Hebert; Amanda Jordan; Erin Kavanagh; Jeremy Kennison; Bethany Lowe; Jennifer Moore; Hana Seames and Nathanael Thibodeau.

Grade 8

First Honors: Daniel Emerson; Fred Emerson and Kyle Moran.

Second Honors: Tim Adams; Stephanie Curley; Amos Hausman-Rogers; Bethany Howe; Kelly Jaramillo; Cory Koch; Carrie Mason; Meredith Mason; Clint Myers; Sarah Noll; Benjamin Otten; C. Ian Paquette; Monica Rolfe;

Sarah Seames; Sarah Richardson and Jennifer York.

Third Honors: Heidi Arcuni; Jason Billings; Kimberly Brown; Jennifer Buck; Jessica Cantelo; Erica Carson; Rachel Fogg; John Hammel; Timothy Hebert; Dareth Howard; Wade Luxton; Megan Meisner; Doreen Morin; Eva Paul; Jessica Rose; and Alicia Taylor.

TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL

Grade 12

High Honors: Amanda Henricks, Faye Luxton.

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Songo Pond

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who is now recuperating from major surgery in a Florida Hospital. His wife Barbara and daughter Susan and husband are in Sarasota nearby.

Does anyone know where there are any Spauldings buried in Albany Cemetery?

Norma and Kassie took Knitty to the C.L. Civic Center Portland Saturday to enjoy the Sesame Street production.

Norma and I attending the RAAPA production, the annual "Musical Christmas Card" in Rumford Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Eva Barker of Oxford, Mrs. Helen Jewell of Waterford with Mrs. Eleanor Frechette of South Paris were callers here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Michaud were in Portland Saturday.

Greetings of the season to all.

Upton

By ARLINE BERNIER

Winners on the buck and bear contest at Upton Trading Post this season were: Jean Claude Gagnon with the biggest buck; Dan Thomas, son of Evelyn Kenny with the biggest bear. Three random drawings went to Jim Kenny, Philip Turcotte, and Richard Dumas.

The Community Christmas program is to be held Monday evening Dec. 21 at 6:30 p.m. The children have recitations and the group will be led in carol singing by Ami Bonati.

Babe Goodrum and Laurie Brown are collecting for the senior citizen boxes. Please leave donations or call to have them picked up by Dec. 22.

Ron Jordan went to Lewiston for tests and possible surgery on a leg growth.

Roland Bernier returned home from a week long stay at the hospital where he received treatment for congestive heart failure and other ailments. We thank everyone for the calls, cards and visits.

I wish Musa the best during her well-earned retirement years. I will miss her when I go into the Citizen office.

Andover

By KAREN McKAY

Remember to stop by the library on Saturday, Dec. 19 and visit with Santa Claus. He will be greeting children in the afternoon 1:30-4 p.m. Bring your wish list and camera.

The First Congregational Church choir met on Thursday night at the home of Betty Moore for a Christmas tree party and dinner buffet.

Congratulations to Cathy McGault, the winner of the Library's Country Christmas wreath raffle.

Calvary Congregational Church:

Call to worship at 10:45 a.m. with hymn "In the Garden," the choir sang: "Wait Medley." Scripture reading Jonah 3:10, 4:1-11. Pastor Waite's message: "When God Forgives. God is long-suffering in regard to our sin. He sends a messenger to warn us. Jonah did not want to do God's will. America is not hearing this message. God wants us to seek Him and enter into His plan."

Communion followed the worship service.

Junior church was led by Barbara Meisner today.

I plan to have a special baby dedication service during the morning worship hour. If anyone else is interested in dedicating their baby, please let me know so I can talk with you about it.

A table of used children's clothing is at the church for those interested call Mrs. Joan Waite.

Awana programs: 3 p.m. - Sparks, 6 p.m. - Pals, Pioneers, Chums and Guards.

Coming events: Dec. 15 - 11 a.m. - Pastor's prayer fellowship, Bryant Pond, Dec. 20 10:45 p.m. Christmas Choir presentation.

North Newry

By GIL SEELEY

Weekend guests of Bill and Sylvia Wight were: Steve and Marlene, Dave and Jan Wight of Old Town, Me. Also Bill and Gretchen Straus of North Waterford. Susie Stephenson and children from Rumford joined them for dinner on Sunday.

The Windy-Valley Sno-Mobile Club will hold their Christmas meeting Thursday night the 17th at 6 p.m. for a potluck supper and exchange of gifts at Leon Dunn's residence.

Betsy Clark, Karlene Bachelder, Gil Seeley, Bea Lowell and Doris Parent of the "Newry Bowling Gang" were at the Oxford Lanes in Rumford. Of the "lefties" Gil was high on the singles and also high on the triples. Of the "righties" Doris was high on the triples and Bea beat her by one on the singles. Karlene had three spares, Betsy four spares, Gil two strikes and three spares, Bea had three spares and one strike, and Doris had four spares. All went to lunch and shopping.

The Newry Firemen's Ladies Auxiliary met at the town building Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. Report of the food sale was very gratifying and the Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who donated food, etc. and also thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Glidden for allowing space. The little engine hats that was for sale didn't do as



CD SIDE OF THE STACKS--Periodical references on CD-ROM are a recent addition to the Gould Academy library. The computer-based system facilitates searches for information from 140 newspapers and magazines, according to Librarian Jane Carlson. The CD's indexes are geared to the research needs of secondary school students and teachers. The digital searchers here are, from left, Bonnie Crocker, Erik Reppen and Anneliese Bass.

North Paris

By DORIS C. LAWRENCE

Sherry Millett Thayer brought Jason Dec. 4 to spend the night, then on Saturday, Dec. 5 he spent with his Grampa Coffin. Maureen and Albert heath brought Amanda and Jennie Kasavelon to spend the weekend. They went with Marietta Penley and I to Bethel Health Center then we went to the sale at Telstar. That evening we got Mary Smith and went to the Christmas for Kids dance at West Paris Grange Hall. A good crowd and a very good sum of money was received.

Sunday, Dec. 5, I took the girls to Woolworths parking lot to meet Amanda's mother. I hope they enjoyed their week and I know I did.

Dec. 1 the West Paris Seniors had their Christmas dinner and meeting. It was voted not to meet during January and February. The new president is Becky Gedding, vice president Ruth Pray, secretary Lina Dean, treasurer Evelyn Chamberlain, reporter and entertainment

Doris Lawrence. Everyone enjoyed the music by Dot Canwell, Richard Felt and Bertha Benoit.

Wednesday, Dec. 9 Joe and Madge Vatcher were in Massachusetts visiting relatives.

Wednesday, Dec. 9 Doris Pinkham went with me to the doctor in Lewiston. We shopped and had lunch at the Country Way.

Thursday, Dec. 10, Dora Dingley, Mary Smith enjoyed a potluck supper Christmas tree and singing with the Oxford County senior citizens at South Paris Fire Hall. 44 were present. New officers were installed. No meeting during January and February.

Callers Joe Vatcher and Ian Uiskley, Howard Anderson, Doris Pinkham, Johnny Johnson, Jr. got word for me.

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Background. The ADA prohibits businesses from discriminating against the disabled in most job-related areas, including hiring, advancement, and termination. If you run a business that is subject to the ADA, you must make reasonable accommodations for disabled workers, which may include structural changes and modifications of office equipment. Businesses with 25 or more employees have been required to comply with the employment provisions of the ADA since July, 1992. By July, 1994, the ADA will apply to businesses with 15 or more employees.

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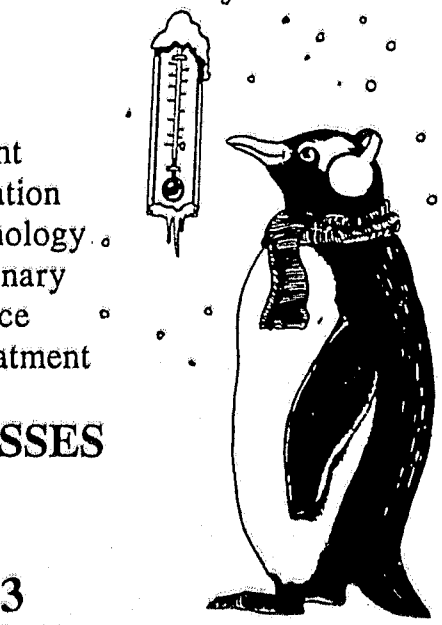
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BANGING THE (FLOOR) BOARDS—Telstar High School's Cheri Myers tries to take the ball from a Carrabec opponent at Saturday's game. The struggle resulted in a jump-ball call. The Rebels lost to Carrabec, 63-26. Myers scored eight points, while Laura Seames contributed six.

(Photo by Wendy Hanscom)

So. Woodstock

By OLIVE R. DAVIS

Historical Society asks what your definition of history is?

Esther and Olive Davis took a ride through Pinhook to East Rumford back to Pinhook home after going to the dump. It was a nice ride for the afternoon on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Andrews was over Monday. Arthur fixed my bird feeder, brought in wood, dumped ashes and did other things he thought needed doing. It's nice to have someone around that cares. Sylvia got dinner and we cleaned up all the dishes. They hope to be over again on Friday baring weather. Winter is upon us soon so one has to watch the snow for safe travelling.

Esther Davis, daughter Patricia Tibbets and daughter Jackie were in Cumberland for Thanksgiving dinner Nov. 26 with Jerri Shorey.

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Clements entertained the following at Thanksgiving dinner: Nicks relatives were: Margaret Clements, mother Rita Stone and sons, Judy and Charles Packer, Steve Clements and two sons, Steve and Shawn, Charles and Kristine Stone, Cynthia Stone, Marta's relatives were: Karl and Charlotte Thompson, John Rohde, Cathy Burnham, Son Eric Clements was home for the holiday. A special guest, Eleanor Ross was present also. Games were played in the afternoon and all enjoyed each others company.

I thank Marta for taking time out of her busy schedule to give me her news for the papers.

The Historical Society and library, Bryant Pond both have many classics to study now. Larry Billings gave a lot of them. Come on and see.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Robbins are blessed with an eight and one-half pound baby boy. They went to Lewiston Hospital Sunday evening and the baby was born at 8:30 Monday morning. They have named him Brody Ellis Robbins.

Did you see the eclipse of the moon Wednesday night? It was a fast moving eclipse. Esther and I watched it from my living room until it was totally covered then it was too high for us to see as it was over the house soon.

The Willing Workers held their

Christmas party the eighth at the Hope Mabel Thurlow hall. A supper was served and gifts were exchanged from the Christmas tree. A game was enjoyed called To-Ke-Mo. The winner was enabled to pick a prize from those on the table that had been donated by the members. Those attending were: President Mione Record, Secretary and Treasurer, Marta Clements, Past President Andrea Hathaway, Esther Davis, Elaine Wildery, Polly Bean, Olive Davis, Claribel Poland, Tommy Poland, Miriam Morgan, Mrs. Wesley Cox, Jr.

Caller at my home were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Andrews, Esther Davis, and Lucille Robbins and Richard Felt.

Lucille Robbins has been helping her relatives out some this week.

Everyone has been rushing around to finish their Christmas shopping. Time is getting short.

East Stoneham

By ELEANOR NELSON

Bette and Ed Barker left for their winter home in Florida on Dec. 9.

The Knight Riders Snowmobile Club held their Christmas party and meeting after a potluck supper on Wednesday evening with Eben Harmon presiding. There were 22 members present. A pretty lighted table Christmas tree was also raffled off and won by John Fox. Much discussion was done on the transportation changes for the trip out west on March 1 weekend.

Eight members of E. Stoneham Church met on Wednesday evening at the home of Mary Grover to discuss many articles of business and to decide on what to do about the lighting and wiring, etc. at the church and vestry which needs attention.

Eleanor Nelson left on Dec. 6 for a visit with her daughter Sharon Traish and family in Belmont, Mass. While there she attended a "Stringerama XX" concert put on by the Belmont Public Schools, Dept. of Fine and Performing Arts. Sharon's daughter, Aisha, played the violin in this concert orchestra. It was a most enjoyable evening of music and they all did a wonderful job.

The Fox Bros. are doing work at Virginia Lake Camp this past week, also for Albert Nelson.

Jim Shugars is at home from his

work driving truck. He entered Northern Cumberland Memorial Hospital this past week for an operation and is recovering nicely, but will be out of work for several weeks.

Dee Barker has traded cars and has a pretty maroon Ford wagon.

Several people from town attended the Oxford County Republican potluck supper and meeting held at the C.N. Brown conference room at South Paris. Again a pretty little lighted table Christmas tree was raffled off which was made and donated by the Stoneham members.

Town Clerk Mary Fox and Deputy Town Clerk Anne Wyman went to Norway to attend classes to learn more about doing town affairs business.

Elderwood Manor

By FLORENCE HALL

Bus riders from the Manor on Wednesday were Anne Fox and Gertrude Hutchins.

Nancy Fox, Bethel called on Anne Fox Sunday afternoon.

Dolly Jones brought Christmas cookies to Florence Hall from Andover Ladies Aid Group. Others who received them were Anne Fox, Alma Hewey and Gertrude Hutchins.

Louise Hewey, Hale and Bernice Winge, Dixfield, visited Alma Hewey.

Anne Fox and Gertrude Hutchins went to the dinner at the school on Tuesday.

Thought for the day: A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.

Bethel

Lina Reynolds, former Newry resident, will undergo second lung surgery on Dec. 17 at Winter Haven, Fla. hospital. Cards would be appreciated to her home address: 424 E. Hillcrest Ave., Lake Wales, Fla. 33853.

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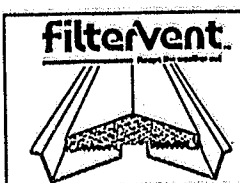
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Greenwood City

By COLISTA MORGAN

Christmas provides some of the happiest and most touching moments of our lives.

The magic of Christmas casts spell on my lonely little tree, I'd like it to bring back that little girl that I lost inside of me. I'd like to live again the joy of candles bright to see and taste sugar frosted cookies sweet, and a big rag doll just for me. So, magic of yesterday help me find that little girl lost so long ago.

Our year winds down and soon how the season always seems to short.

Families gather and friendships are renewed. We reflect on the values of life, as we reminisce of other Christmas gatherings. I recall the joy of youth with my brother and sisters, as we waited for the surprises.

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Our tree was decorated with strings of popcorn and ornaments bright colors. I remember the gifts: books, spinning tops, canes, new mittens, and dolls. Sometimes there was a big surprise like the sled I had on my twelfth year. It was a Speed Away and I still have it.

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work driving truck. He entered Northern Cumberland Memorial Hospital this past week for an operation and is recovering nicely, but will be out of work for several weeks.

Dee Barker has traded cars and has a pretty maroon Ford wagon. Several people from town attended the Oxford County Republican potluck supper and meeting held at the C.N. Brown conference room at South Paris. Again a pretty little lighted table Christmas tree was raffled off which was made and donated by the Stoneham members.

Elderwood Manor

By FLORENCE HALL

Bus riders from the Manor on Wednesday were Anne Fox and Gertrude Hutchins.

Nancy Fox, Bethel called on Anne Fox Sunday afternoon.

Dolly Jones brought Christmas cookies to Florence Hall from Andover Ladies Aid Group. Others who received them were Anne Fox, Alma Hewey and Gertrude Hutchins.

Louise Hewey, Hale and Bernise Winge, Dixfield, visited Alma Hewey.

Anne Fox and Gertrude Hutchins went to the dinner at the school on Tuesday.

Thought for the day: A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.

Bethel

Lina Reynolds, former Newry resident, will undergo second lung surgery on Dec. 17 at Winter Haven, Fla. hospital. Cards would be appreciated to her home address: 424 E. Hillcrest Ave., Lake Wales, Fla. 33853.

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Greenwood City

By COLISTA MORGAN

Christmas provides some of the happiest and most touching moments of our lives.

The magic of Christmas casts a spell on my lonely little tree. I'd like it to bring back that little girl that is lost inside of me. I'd like to live again the joy of candles bright to see and taste sugar frosted cookies, sweet, and a big rag doll just for me. So, magic of yesterday help me find that little girl lost so long ago.

Our year winds down and some how the season always seems too short.

Families gather and friendships are renewed. We reflect on the values of life, as we reminisce on other Christmas gatherings. I recall the joy of youth with my brothers and sisters, as we waited for the surprises.

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OVER THE BALLFIELD AND THROUGH THE WOODS—Tim Korhonen of Bethel and his team, Ben and Jerry, gave Crescent Park School students wagon rides Sunday at the school's family fun day. This

jolly load of carolers took a final spin around the school grounds before picking up a visiting Santa's helper for his trip back to the North Pole. (Photo by Wendy Hanscom)

sweeping the ice. I think winter has arrived.

I have to get a new furnace so I expect it to arrive shortly. That's my Christmas gift to myself.

There were 40 family members who gathered for Thanksgiving at the home of Rena Curtis on Saturday, the 5th.

High Street

West Paris

By RUSSELL YATES

Well folks, it's Tuesday again and time to get our news together for the Citizen. Time slides by so fast that it doesn't seem possible that it has been a week since I was writing news before. Anyway, I'll get started on it.

Last Tuesday night was the meeting and Christmas party for Oxford Pomona Grange #2 and Oxford Grange hosted the meeting. They usually have a supper and refreshments after the meeting. Since sister Peggy was very busy at other things, I mixed up some Rice Krispie bars

to take to Pomona and to make them super good, I melted a package of butterscotch bits and spread it on top. This makes them delicious, but oh my, the calories. On our way to the Pomona meeting, we picked up Gail Butterfield in South Paris, and took her along with us. As part of the program, we exchanged gifts. My gift was a container of a stick deodorant. It is well perfumed and I'm just wondering what it will do for me. Which do the ladies like best, plain or perfumed? Last Wednesday morning Peggy and I both went down street. She had to take her car down to Wiles Body Shop to have a little body work done. They gave her an Oldsmobile loaner car to use, while her car was being repaired. From there we went down to Ames shopping and spent the most of the forenoon there. We didn't buy any big amount, but it sure took a lot of looking before we made up our minds just what we wanted. I had planned to finish up my news and mail it to the Citizen that forenoon, but I didn't get it done until into the afternoon, so had to go to West Paris Post Office to

mail it. After I got back from the post office, I started scribbling out a Christmas letter to put in with a lot of the Christmas cards that we would be sending. I've written Christmas letters for the last three years I think and I like the idea. I don't like to send a Christmas card without something written in it anyway, so the letter takes the place of the written message. I type the letter the way I want it to look, then I have copies made at Copyset in South Paris. They do a super job making copies, or I think so.

The next day, we went down street again as they had her car ready to go. On the way down, she was discussing some of the good features that the loaner Oldsmobile had and I didn't know but what she'd try to swap for it, but when she stopped it at the lower end of High Street, it stalled and she knew then she wouldn't care for it. We had other errands to do, while we were in town as well as picking up our weekly groceries. Peggy had been pushing me a little to get that Christmas letter written so that she could have copies to put in with some of

the Christmas cards. When we got back home I finished the Christmas letter and that afternoon I went to Copyset and had forty copies made. I also had fourteen copies of another letter made. Christmas cards to my 1941 Woodstock High School classmates. We keep in touch.

On Dec. 4, Peggy went to do her card work at Laverdiere's and I spent lots of the day getting Christmas cards signed and addressed ready to put in the mail box. When Peggy got home, she also worked on Christmas cards and we're about done until next Christmas is on the calendar.

On Saturday, we went out in the woods here and cut a small Christmas tree to set up on a stand. Viva had an artificial tree to use, but we decided against a larger tree this year. She'd seen some good looking trees over on the Harrison Road when she rode by, but when we went looking here, none of them looked as good as we'd like. However, we picked one and after she got it all decorated, it didn't look bad at all.

That evening, we went to the

benefit dance for Christmas for Kids, at the West Paris Grange Hall. This was my first dance since last Jan. 18. I didn't try many of the fast dances, but did Waltz quite a bit but even so, by the time the dance ended, my knees were telling me that I hadn't danced for quite some time. The money from the 83 tickets that they sold and the money from the sale of refreshments all went for the cause and the members of Felt's Orchestra all donated their time and talent for the good cause. When it was all added together they had a good sum of \$436.00 to all go to Christmas for Kids. I am very proud of West Paris Grange and Felt's Orchestra for the many benefit dances they have to help those in serious need each year.

On Sunday, Dec. 6, we did our work around here and then went to Auburn to spend the day with Viva. Her daughter Wynona and granddaughters were to be gone helping at a money raising affair for the school and Nonie had to be sales lady at one of the tables. They got back home about 4:30 p.m. and we left for home.

The next morning Peggy had to go take care of the card departments at Laverdiere's in South Paris and Bridgton. I decided to make another batch of muffins and then I made some soup from some turkey stock we had left from Thanksgiving. I didn't feel too good that day so I was rather lazy and didn't do very much. Peggy didn't get back home here very early in the afternoon, because she stopped in at Stephens Memorial Hospital to visit her 9th great-grandchild, a girl named Kayla Marie Merrill, and the baby's mother, Mary Merrill. Kayla weighed in at six pounds and 14 ounces. Baby and mother were both doing fine. Kayla was about six hours old when Peggy was there and she was real alert and as bright as a silver dollar, according to her great-grandma, and of course, she's a beautiful baby. I thought all great-grandchildren were beautiful that is according to their great-grandmothers. I've heard the expression that a homely baby would grow into a nice looking adult and vice-versa. I'd question that a little, but if it is right, I certainly must have been one of those beautiful babies.

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CHRISTMAS PACKING--Christmas for Families volunteers Yvonne Hart and Sue Gordon pack up boxes of gifts last week to be distributed to local needy families. This former classroom at the Ethel Bissbee School in Bethel is full of toys, clothing, blankets, hats, mittens and more, but the project's organizers are still looking for donations. Anyone who would like to donate to Christmas for Families can contact Nina Wheeler at 363-3600. *(Photo by Wendy Hanscom)*

Joblessness

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8.8 percent and Southwest Penobscot, with an unemployment rate at 9.5 percent.

Meanwhile, the communities with the lowest unemployment rates for October are Rockland and Bangor, at 4.2 percent; Portland, at 3.8 percent; Bath-Brunswick, with a rate of 3.2 percent and Kittery-York, at 2.6 percent.

"This is the lowest unemployment rate for October since 1989, which was at 5.0 percent," Dennison said.

Oxford County came out of October with a lower rate than September as well, at 7.1 percent, but

remained the sixth highest in the state, according to the figures.

There were a total of 1,730 people out of work in Oxford County, among a civilian work force of 24,290.

Washington County had the highest rate at 8.3 percent, followed by Somers (7.9); Arrostook (7.7); Waldo (7.7); Piscataquis (7.4); Oxford (7.1); Franklin (7.0) and Androscoggin (6.5).

Meanwhile, Lincoln County was lowest with a rate of only 3.3 percent.

Dennison said that overall, employers in Maine are still tentative about hiring people, wary of the slowly growing economy.

Condoms

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BAHC physician's assistant Jan Whitworth said those opposed to the idea should consider that condoms are available anyway at family planning clinics and doctors' offices.

"Family planning services are already available without your permission," Whitworth said. "You're all worried about what your kids will do without permission. Family planning, sexually transmitted treatment and pregnancy tests are all available already without your permission."

"A lot of kids are sexually active," said Christy Cross of Bethel. "We're not going to be the first ones to know about it. I might think they're too young, but that's their decision. The more places condoms are available the better."

Co-presidents of Telstar High School's student council, Fred Burk and Mae Lynn Patten, told the board an informal high school poll found everyone in favor of the proposal.

"The overwhelming result was that students would like to have condoms available," Burk said. "But the majority of them said they would be turned off at the idea if parents were involved."

A family issue?

But those speaking in favor of the proposal were clearly in the minority Monday night. Most opponents of a school distribution of condoms

said sex education should stay within family confines

Two local religious leaders spoke against dispensing condoms from the school nurse's office.

"I just don't think it's the school's role to do this," said Nathan Seckinger, minister of the Bethel Alliance Church. "Is the school willing to say if something goes wrong that it will finance and raise children born or pay for AIDS treatment."

"I don't think it's in the school's best interest," said John Gallant, minister of the Bethel Nazarene Church. "You're opening yourselves up to be picketed, boycotted and possible legal suits. Stress abstinence instead. It seems like another step in the break down of family independence."

"I'd give my life to protect one of my kids," said Chuck Mason of Gilead. "But if you're going to pass out condoms what's the next step? Providing a clean room and a maid to clean up afterward? Let's draw the line and have our kids make their own decision about sex and take the responsibility for it."

"If you follow the thinking that they're going to do it anyway," said Mark Bennett of Bethel, "you could follow the thinking that they're drinking anyway. Should we take the soda out of the soda machine and replace it with beer. This is just as ridiculous."

"It takes away my right as a parent," said Lisa Fox of Bethel, who also praised the district's efforts to educate children on

**Candlelight ceremony
tonight highlights
Gould Christmas**

The St. Lucia candlelight ceremony, an annual morning assembly treat for Gould students since Bill and Ki Clough arrived at Gould ten years ago, will be part of the Yulefest performance at Gould for the first time, and open to the public. The Lucia ceremony will be the opening part of the Yulefest performance at Bingham Auditorium tonight, Wednesday, Dec. 16 at 7:30 p.m. Ki Clough brings Lucia from her native Sweden, where the lighting of many candles from one has special significance during the dark Scandinavian winter days.

Vocal and instrumental variety will follow, and numerous treats are in store for the audience, including a suite of songs by the student a-cappella group that has been practicing all fall, two pieces by Gould's flute trio, and music by Gould's most accomplished faculty guitar duo in many years.

Seasonal readings will lead into a tree decorating and Minora lighting ceremony, and audience members are invited to hang their

own ornaments on the tree. Ornaments will be judged for creativity and originality and prizes will be awarded. Carols led by the chorus and musicians will wrap up the evening's show. The public is welcomed, and there is no charge for admission.

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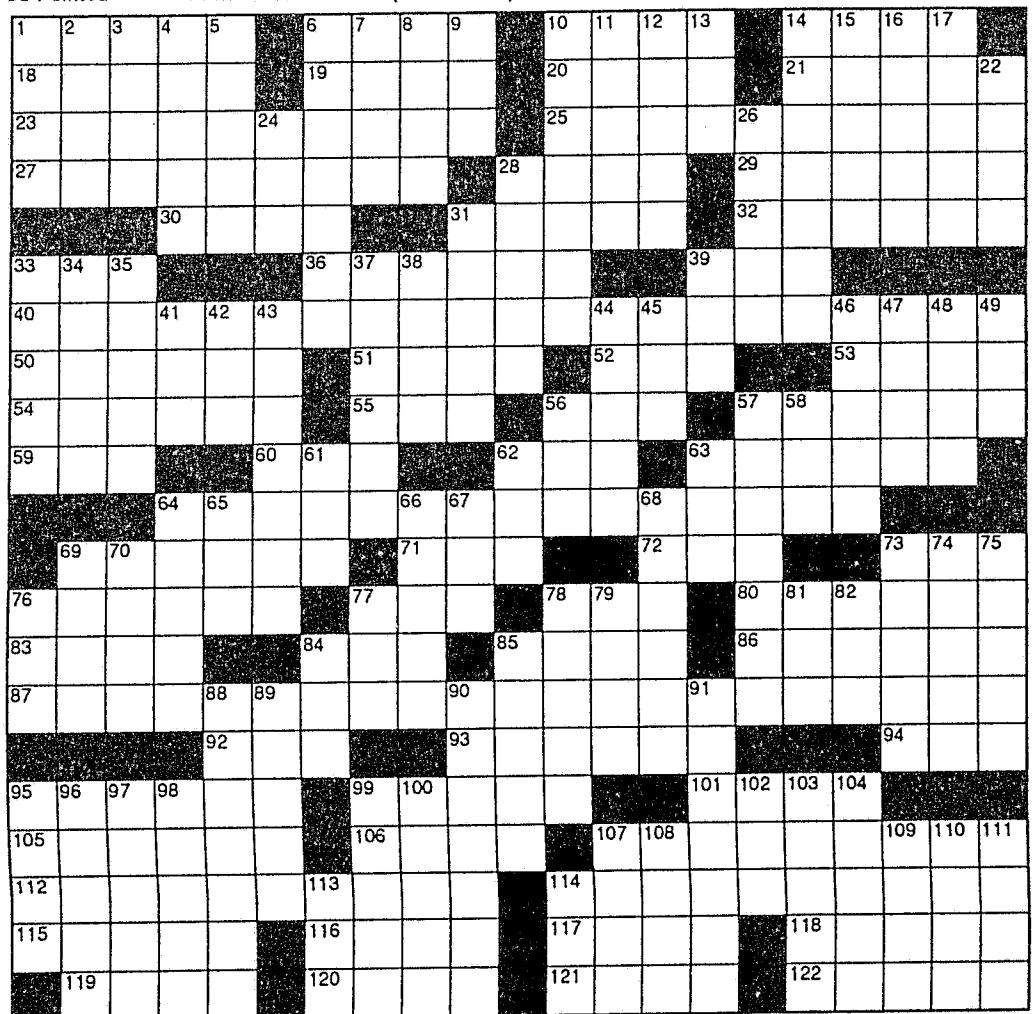
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ON THE MOVE--Sandy's Kitchen has moved from the West Bethel Store to the Ta-Ka-Radi building. Here Dawn Eliot, left, Joan Tedford, Wednesday Westleigh and Sandra Swan are ready for business at the restaurant's new site.

Jackson-Silver Post

Members of the above Post of the American Legion gathered at the Legion Hall on the Gore Road for their first meeting in December. Finance Officer Richard Cross reported that the Post was in excellent condition, financially. Americanism Officer Roland Lord reported he was waiting to receive information from Department in Waterville on videos to be shown in public schools. Service Officer Nicholas Clements had no report this month, no new members reported.

The Adjutant indicated still seeking the names of men in Greenwood who had served in the Vietnam War. Anyone reading this report and is one of the above from Greenwood is asked to report to the Post, at least by mail.

Report on the loss of Chaplain Rodney Hanscom's sister, Mrs. Hazel Newell was given with great regret, especially after the recent loss of his brother-in-law, Arthur Cummings. The Post voted to give \$50. to the Androscoggin Home Health and \$50. to B.E.A.R. Ambulance Service in memory of Hazel Newell.

It was voted to have the Post furnace cleaned and for the Finance Officer to pay all bills.

Under unfinished business it was voted that Leah Deegan was to have the use of the hall some night in January or February for a benefit supper for the local access TV Channel 4.

Under new business it was voted to give local Head Start in West Bethel \$100 to be used at Christmas time.

The next meeting is to be the annual Christmas Party, Thursday, Dec. 17 at 6 p.m. It will begin with a potluck supper to which all are invited. It was suggested that men and women bring a gift for one of their own sex in the price range of \$3 to \$5. The Auxiliary will provide gifts for children under ten.

It was voted to pay the balance on the Warren Smith account by Christmas.

The meeting closed at approximately 8 p.m. with prayer and the retiring of the colors.

Jackson-Silver Unit

Jackson-Silver Unit #68 met for its latest meeting on Dec. 3. Members were reminded that, in the Legion and Auxiliary calendar, December is Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation month. This involves not only volunteer work at VA Medical Centers, but also assistance to veterans in nursing homes, in their own homes, and things you do for them in one's own home.

In connection with this, a box will be placed in the Legion Hall to receive contributions of comfort items to be sent to Togus. This includes small or travel sizes of toilet and grooming aids such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, etc., but none in glass containers or containing alcohol, such as might be in after shave. This box will remain until the District President visits, at which time she will take care of delivering it.

In previous accounts of Unit activities it was neglected to mention that five members participated in the Leadership Workshop hosted by the South Paris Unit on Nov. 14. Two of the five have now completed the required hours and received their pins.

For the next meeting, Dec. 15, there will be a potluck supper at 6 p.m., followed by a program and gift exchange. Members are reminded that they may bring their spouses

and children. Men are to bring a gift for a man, women bring for a woman. The Auxiliary will furnish gifts for the children under ten years of age if they are notified of the names and ages of those who plan to attend. (Leah Deegan will be taking care of this and is the one to notify.) Parents of children ten or over should bring a gift to be presented to their child.

Paid up membership for 1993 now stands at 64. Members are reminded that anyone whose dues are not paid by Jan. 31 are considered delinquent. This means that any insurance they may have through the American Legion Auxiliary and any other benefits, such as reduced cost of eye glasses, are not in effect if the dues are in arrears.

A date has not yet been set for the benefit to be held for local access TV channel 4, nor has a definite date been decided upon for a dinner which Unit 68 will cater for Mundt-Allen Post and Unit on a Saturday sometime after Christmas.

Other tentative plans include a joint initiation ceremony, possibly on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 14. For auxiliary members this includes receiving a membership pin. The unit will be sending out a newsletter within the week with further information on this.

The next County Council meeting includes a Christmas party at the Norway Legion Hall on Dec. 15 at 7:30 p.m.

Under the children and youth program, Edna Howe has knitted four pairs of mittens and two hats for the Unit to present to Woodstock Elementary School for children in need of them.

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THURSDAY EVENING

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(6)	New England Holiday		Christ
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(10)	Maine	Media W.	Movie:
(11)	Sportsctr.	College Basketball	
(12)	Ctry. Beat	Texas	Opry
(13)	Frosty	Wish	Disney
(14)	Rinkside	NHL Hockey: New	
(15)	"Teen Witch" Cont'd		Movie:
(17)	Movie: "A Mom for Christmas"		
(18)	"Jesse James" Cont'd		Movie:
(20)	NHL Hockey: Washington Capit		
(21)	"The Good Fight"		Movie:
(22)	Wrestling	NBA Basketball: Or	
(24)	Doug	Rugrats	Clariss
(25)	Pride	Movie: "The Vagab	
(26)	Swamp	Beyond	Movie:
(27)	Travelquest	Hm. Again	Movie:
(32)	Gimme B.	NBA Basketball: Ne	
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Wednesday, Dec. 16 at 7:30 p.m.: The public is invited to attend the Gould Yulefest performance in the Academy's Bingham Auditorium. Enjoy the St. Lucia candlelight ceremony, songs by the student a capella group, pieces by Gould's flute trio and music by an accomplished faculty guitar duo.

Thursday, December 17: Oxford County Gem and Mineral Association Auction, at Norman Davis, Newry, 7 p.m. Benefit Santa's Helpers.

The Jackson-Silver Post will host its Annual Christmas Party and potluck at 6:00 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 18 at 3:00 p.m.: Maria Termini and friends present a free Christmas concert at the

Bethel House Community Room on Maine Street. All are welcome.

Saturday, Dec. 19 at 7:30 p.m.: The Locke Mills Union Church choir and friends will present a Christmas musical "Christmas Song." All are welcome.

Sunday, Dec. 20 at 5:00 p.m.: The Living Nativity will be presented on the Common in Bethel.

Sunday, Dec. 20 through 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.: The second annual "Bethel Artistic Depict Bethel" exhibit will be open at Nice Things People Make.

Tuesday, Dec. 22: Studio Dance Concert at Art Moves Dance Studio, 10 Cottage St.,

Norway, 3rd floor, 7 p.m. Donations for this non-profit teen program will be accepted at the door.

District Exchange: Open every Tuesday and Wednesday, 1-4 p.m. and Thursday, 11-4 p.m. at the Ethel Bisbee School, Bethel. Clothing on sale, food available for those in need.

SAFE is a free and confidential support group for presently or formerly abused women. Meetings are held in Norway/South Paris on Tuesdays, 9-10:30 a.m. and in Rumford on Fridays, 9-10:30 a.m. Child care is available. For more information, call 824-3600.

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.

Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-5 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 4-8 p.m.; Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Story Hour for preschoolers, Thursday, 10-11 a.m. Betsy Raymond, Librarian.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Summer hours, 1-6:30 p.m.

Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.

West Paris Library: West Paris: Monday 3-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.

REACH -- Sexual Abuse Helpline, 743-9777. Serving victims of sexual abuse--past or present. 24 hour service in Oxford County.

Every Wednesday: Gilead Board of Selectmen meet at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

First Wednesday of Each Month: Purity Chapter 102, OES, 6:30 supper, 7:30 meeting.

Greenwood Historical Society meets at the Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7:30 p.m.

Woodstock Planning Board meets at the Town Office.

Every Thursday: West Paris Board of Selectmen meet at the Town office, 6:30 p.m.

First Thursday of Each Month: United Methodist Women meet at the Bethel Methodist church at 1 p.m.

Upton Board of Selectmen meets, 6 p.m.

Bethel Historical Society, Dr. Moses Mason House, 7:30 p.m.

Newry Fire Auxiliary meets at the Town Office, 7:30 p.m.

Second Thursday of Each Month: Board of Directors of Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce meets at the Casco Bank, 7:30 a.m.

Bethel Lodge No 97, AF & AM.

S.H.A.R.E. support group for bereaved parent suffering loss of infant or miscarriage, at Stephens Memorial Hospital 7-9 p.m. For information call 824-2913.

Third Thursday of Each Month: Fish & Game, at the Bethel United Methodist Church; potluck supper 6 p.m.; meeting at

7 p.m.

Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club, at Newry municipal building, 7 p.m.

First and Third Thursday of Each Month: Jackson-Silver Post, Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

Every Friday: Friday Gift Shop, at the Bethel United Methodist Church, during summer, 1-5 p.m.

Game Party at Jackson-Silver Post No. 68, Gore Road, Locke Mills, 6 p.m.

Third Friday of Each Month: Mt. Abram Lodge, IOOF, 7:30 p.m.

Second Saturday of Each Month: Woodstock Historical Society, 7 p.m. Woodstock Historical Society Museum, summer months.

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, at the Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer St., West Paris, 9:30 a.m., 674-3961.

Third Sunday of Each Month: Episcopalian House Church at the Bohrs on Chapman Street, Bethel, 4 p.m.

First Monday of Each Month: Newry Community Ladies' Circle, 12:30 p.m.

Second Monday of Each Month: Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m.

First and Third Monday of Each Month: Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

First Tuesday of Each Month: State Representative Rick Bennett will be at the meeting of the Greenwood Selectmen at the town Office, Locke Mills.

Second Tuesday of Each Month: Mundt-Allen Post, American Legion, meeting at

7:30 p.m.

LaLeche League meets at Bethel Area Health Center, 7 p.m. Call 836-3567 for more information.

Bethel Snow Twisters, meet at Casco Bank, 7 p.m., fall and winter months.

Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30 a.m.

Greenwood Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office 7 p.m.

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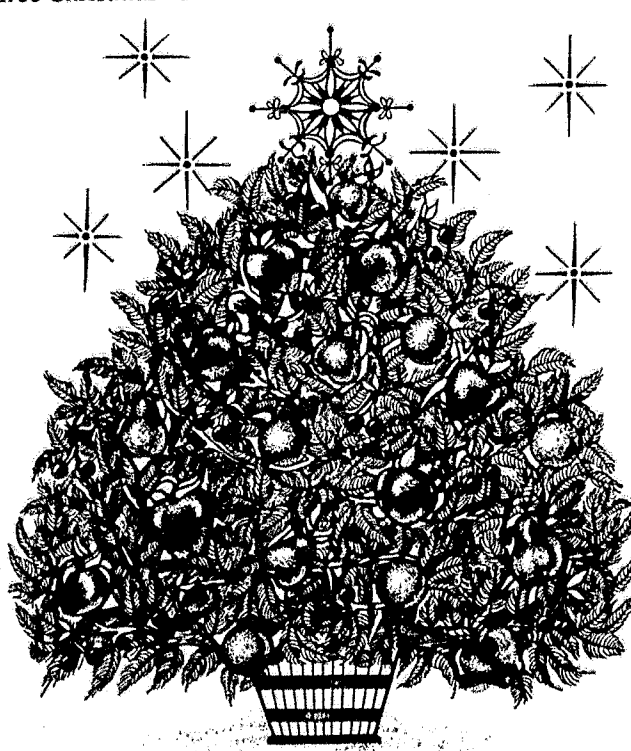
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and children. Men are to bring a gift for a man, women bring for a woman. The Auxiliary will furnish gifts for the children under ten years of age if they are notified of the names and ages of those who plan to attend. (Leah Deegan will be taking care of this and is the one to notify.) Parents of children ten or over should bring a gift to be presented to their child.

Paid up membership for 1993 now stands at 64. Members are reminded that anyone whose dues are not paid by Jan. 31 are considered delinquent. This means that any insurance they may have through the American Legion Auxiliary and any other benefits, such as reduced cost of eye glasses, are not in effect if the dues are in arrears.

A date has not yet been set for the benefit to be held for local access TV channel 4, nor has a definite date been decided upon for a dinner which Unit 68 will cater for Mundt-Allen Post and Unit on a Saturday sometime after Christmas.

Other tentative plans include a joint initiation ceremony, possibly on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 14. For auxiliary members this includes receiving a membership pin. The unit will be sending out a newsletter within the week with further information on this.

The next County Council meeting includes a Christmas party at the Norway Legion Hall on Dec. 15 at 7:30 p.m.

Under the children and youth program, Edna Howe has knitted four pairs of mittens and two hats for the Unit to present to Woodstock Elementary School for children in need of them.

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	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Cheers	Murphy B.	Movie: "Scrooge"					Hogan	Cheers	H'mooner
(5)	Waltons	Young Riders		Father Dowling		700 Club		Scarecr.-King		
6	Murphy B.	Roseanne	All Night	Dif. World	Cheers	Wings	L.A. Law		News	Nightline
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Delta	Room-Two	Homefront	Primetime Live		News		
(10)	MacNeil/Lehrer	Maine.	Maine	Mystery!	Orchestra!		Paul McCartney			
(11)	Sportsctr.	Outside the Lines		NHL Hockey: New York Rangers at St. Louis Blues					Sportsctr.	
(12)	VideoPM Cont'd	Crook and Chase		Nashville Now		Gatlins		Club Dance		
13	Entertain.	Edition	Top Cops	Street Stories		Knots Landing		News		
(14)	Peter Vaas	Basketball	International Soccer: Teams to Be Announced			College Volleyball: Great		Midwest Champ.		
(15)	Movie: "Eminent Domain"			Movie: "No Safe Haven"			Comedy	Sanders	Inside NFL	
(17)	Apple Dumplin	American Teacher Awards							Rally 'Round	
(18)	Crazy About the Movies		Movie: "Livin' Large!"			Movie: "December"		"Bride of Re-Animator"		
(20)	Boxing			Boxing: Fight Night at the Great Western Forum					Basketball	
(21)	Unsolved Mysteries		L.A. Law		Movie: "Notorious"				Thirtysomething	
(22)	B. Hillbillies	Sanford	Kenny Rogers as the Gambler III: The Legend			Movie: "Coward of the County"				
(24)	Looney	Bullwinkle	Get Smart	Superman	M.T. Moore	Van Dyke	Dragnet	Hitchcock	Lucy Show	F-Troop
(25)	Movie: "A High Wind in Jamaica"				Movie: "Spartacus"					
(26)	Christmas Tree	Chipmunk	Chipmunks	Xmas	Father Knows Best Christmas				MacGyver	
(27)	Wilderness	In Search	Real West	Wildlife Mysteries		Brute Force: Weapons		Evening at the Improv		
(32)	Gimme B.	Fish	Renegade	Highlander: The Series		News		Sts. of 'Frisco		
(34)	Design. W.	NBA Basketball: Chicago Bulls at Washington Bullets			News		Night Court		Highlander	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	Primenews	Larry King Live		Review: Ent.		Sports		Moneyline

FRIDAY EVENING DECEMBER 18, 1992

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Cheers	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Detroit Red Wings						SportsBeat	Cheers	H'mooner
(5)	Movie: "Doctor Dolittle"						700 Club		Scarecr.-King	
6	Murphy B.	Roseanne	Movie: "The Story Lady"				I'll Fly Away		News	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Family	Step by S.	Dinosaurs	Wilder	20/20		News	Nightline
10	MacNeil/Lehrer	Wash. Wk.	Wall St.	Good Faith	No Job	Served	May-Dec.	"The Paradine Case"		
(11)	Sportsctr.	College Football: Las Vegas Silver Bowl -- Nevada vs. Bowling Green State							Sportsctr.	
(12)	VideoPM Cont'd	Crook and Chase		Nashville Now				Steve W.	Club Dance	
13	Entertain.	Edition	G. Palace	Major Dad	Kenny Rogers		Picket Fences		News	
(14)	Pregame	NBA Basketball: New York Knicks at Boston Celtics				Rinkside	Post Time	Sports	Football	
(15)	Inside the NFL	Movie: "Nothing but Trouble"			Movie: "Meet the Applegates"				Sanders	Crypt Tales
(17)	Santa Claus	Movie: "Swiss Family Robinson"					"The Incredible Shrinking Woman"			
(18)	Welcome Home, Roxy	Movie: "The Dark Backward"				Movie: "Seedpeople"			Commando	
(20)	Page One	Bowling: ABC Team Challenge			College Bowl Preview		Boxing: Prime Series -- Patterson vs. Zaragoza			
(21)	Unsolved Mysteries	L.A. Law			Movie: "Getting Up and Going Home"				Thirtysomething	
(22)	B. Hillbillies	Sanford	Kenny Rogers as the Gambler III: The Legend				Movie: "Dracula"			
(24)	Looney	Bullwinkle	Christmas	Tattertown	M.T. Moore	Van Dyke	Dragnet	Hitchcock	Lucy Show	F-Troop
(25)	Movie: "Springtime in the Rockies"				Movie: "The 300 Spartans"				Movie: "Dr. Cyclops"	
(26)	Quantum Leap	Murder, She Wrote			Movie: "Silent Night, Deadly Night 4: Initiation"				Movie: "Caged Fury"	
(27)	Wilderness	In Search	Time Machine	Investigative Reports		Caroline's Comedy Hour		Evening at the Improv		
(32)	Gimme B.	Temps.	Barnaby Jones	Simon & Simon		News		Sts. of 'Frisco		
(34)	Design. W.	Jeffersons	Movie: "Blood Relations"				News		Gallery	Comedy
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	Primenews	Larry King Live		Review: Inv.		Sports	Moneyline	

SATURDAY EVENING DECEMBER 19, 1992

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Golden G.	Golden G.	Movie: "It Came From Hollywood"			Movie: "Terror in the Aisles"			Special FX	
(5)	Rin Tin Tin	Zorro	Young Riders		Movie: "Gunfight at the O.K. Corral"			Bordertown		
6	New England Holiday	Christmas Fiesta		C'mas in Wash.		Sisters		News	Sat. Night	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Columbo: Agenda for Murder"			Commish		News	Married...	
10	Maine	Media W.	Movie: "It's a Wonderful Life"			Austin City Limits		The Heart of the Matter		
(11)	Sportsctr.	College Basketball: Iowa State at Michigan			College Basketball: Ohio State at West Virginia			Sportsctr.		
(12)	Ctry. Beat	Texas	Opry	GrandOpry	Staller Bros.		Home for the Holidays	Opry	GrandOpry	
13	Frosty	Wish	Disney's Fantasy on Ice		Movie: "Sarah, Plain and Tall"			News		
(14)	Rinkside	NHL Hockey: New York Rangers at Hartford Whalers			Sports		Baseball's Greatest			
(15)	"Teen Witch" Cont'd	Movie: "My Girl"			Young Comedians		Movie: "Major League"			
(17)	Movie: "A Mom for Christmas"			Movie: "The Christmas Visitor"			"A Hard Day's Night"			
(18)	"Jesse James" Cont'd	Movie: "Cat Chaser"			Movie: "Scanners III: The Takeover"			Hardcase		
(20)	NHL Hockey: Washington Capitals at Boston Bruins			AHL Hockey: Providence at Binghamton			Hidden			
(21)	"The Good Fight"			Movie: "A Cry for Love"			Hidden	Confession	Unsolved Mysteries	
(22)	Wrestling	NBA Basketball: Orlando Magic at Atlanta Hawks			U.S. Olympic Gold			Nobel Awards		
(24)	Doug	Rugrats	Clarissa	R'house	Ren-Stimpy	Afraid?	Hitchcock	Lucy Show	M.T. Moore	Dragnet
(25)	Pride	Movie: "The Vagabond King"			Movie: "Raffles"			Alice Faye	Pride-Yankees	
(26)	Swamp	Beyond	Movie: "The Protector"			Silk Stalkings		Movie: "Nightlife"		
(27)	Travelquest	Hm. Again	Movie: "Murphy's War"			Comedy on the Road		Evening at the Improv		
(32)	Gimme B.	NBA Basketball: New Jersey Nets at Indiana Pacers			News		News'thy	Richard Bay		
(34)	Runaway	Fortune	Bullseye	NBA Basketball: Philadelphia 76ers at Chicago Bulls			News		"Zeppelin"	
(39)	Capital	Sports Sat.	Primenews	Both Sides		Sources	Year in Review: Politics		Sports	Capital

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Tues., Dec. 22 at 7 p.m.:
"Lost in the Woods" a play by
the Bryant Pond Baptist Church
Mondays at 7 p.m.:
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SUNDAY EVENING DECEMBER 20, 1992

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Movie: "The Christmas Stallion"				A Street Carol		Manager	Hockey	Sports	Arms Love
(5)	Mansion	Rin Tin Tin	Skies	Stallion	Family Edition		In Touch	Ben Haden		
6	Secret Service		I Witness Video		Movie: "Condition Critical"				News	Sports
8	Life Goes On		Videos		Movie: "Pale Rider"				News	Emer. Call
10	All Creatures		Nature		Movie: "The Shiralee"				Movie: "Blithe Spirit"	
(11)	NFL Primetime		NFL Football: New York Jets at Miami Dolphins						Sportscenter	
(12)	Auto Racing: Sprint Car		World Series	Raceday	Mechanic	Speed	Outdoors	Truckin'	Trucks	Winners
13	60 Minutes		Murder, She Wrote		Holiday Greetings From the Ed Sullivan Show				News	
(14)	College Basketball: Florida vs. N.C.-Charlotte			English League Soccer			Europe Soccer		Kickboxing: Champions	
(15)	"Pink Cadillac" Cont'd			Naked Gun 2 1/2: Fear		Movie: "No Safe Haven"			Kids in Hall	Son-Darkn
(17)	Movie: "Babes in Toyland"			Bing Crosby Christmas		Judy Garland Christmas			Candlelight	Guys-Dolls
(18)	"Defending Your Life"		Movie: "Blood & Concrete -- A Love Story"				Movie: "Europa, Europa"			
(20)	Baseball	College Hockey: Forum Freezeout Champ.			College Football: NAIA Division II Championship					
(21)	Physicians	Milestones	Journal	Family	Cardiology	Medicine	Ob/Gyn	Family	Physicians	Paid Prog.
(22)	Movie: "Sam Whiskey"				National Geographic Explorer				Earth	Golfing
(24)	Looney	Looney	Jug Band C'mas		Mork	Van Dyke	Hitchcock	Lucy Show	M.T. Moore	Dragnet
(25)	Movie: "You're Never Too Young"			Movie: "Grease"				Movie: "Lydia"		
(26)	MacGyver		Movie: "Past Midnight"			Counterstrike			Silk Stalkings	
(27)	Comedy on the Road		Charlton Heston-Bible		Agatha Christie Mysteries				Rave	
(32)	Star Search		Gloria		Gimme B.	Jackie Mason	News	JBTv	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
(34)	"Meet John Doe"				Movie: "The Miracle of the Bells"			News	Know Bull	Blues
(39)	World	Sport Sun.	Primenews		Week in Review		Review: Rdtble.		Sports	Business



ESCAPE CLAWS—After 10 years of peddling fresh fish in western Maine, Belmont "Bunk" House of Woodstock is passing the crustaceans to Christina and Alan Lowe of Bethel. Christina's fish truck will be in Locke Mills on Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. near the Bethel/Locke Mills town line. On Saturdays, she'll be in the Key Bank parking lot from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Photo by Wendy Hanscom)

NOTES FROM

Evans Notch District White Mountain National Forest

The Evans Notch Ranger District is a unique part of the White Mountain National Forest, which is one of many National Forests located throughout the United States. The national forests are public lands managed by the U.S. Forest Service and its many partners, and managed for many uses such as wildlife habitat, forest products, and recreation.

The Evans Notch Ranger District offers a variety of ways to enjoy the outdoors including hiking, camping, fishing, bird watching, skiing, snowmobiling or just enjoying a day in the outdoors.

Finding and cutting your own Christmas tree is one way to explore and enjoy the forest. A Christmas tree permit allows you to cut one tree from National Forest land to be enjoyed by your family.

Sorry, these trees are not for resale.

A map showing the Evans Notch Ranger District is available at the

District Office. Please help protect our growing forest by cutting trees no larger than eight inches diameter at the stump. Do not select trees in or near campgrounds, picnic areas, overlooks, trailheads, active timber sales, or within 50 feet of any road, trail, or stream. Trees may be cut with an axe, handsaw, or other handtool, with the stump left at less than six inches in height. Please remember the requirement to attach your permit to the tree as soon as it's cut as the directions on the tag explain.

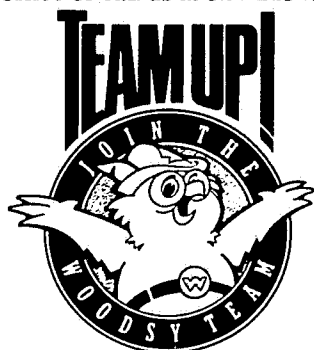
Several types of evergreens grow in this area: two common species are red spruce and balsam fir. Balsam fir is preferred by many people for its wonderful fragrance and needle retention.

Once home, you'll need to give your tree proper care to keep it fresh, attractive, and safe throughout the holiday season. Keep the cut tree in a bucket of water in a cool, shaded area sheltered from the wind

until you are ready to set it up.

Trim an inch or two off the bottom of the trunk just before putting the tree in its stand. This fresh cut will allow the tree to take up water more readily once it is moved inside. Your tree will be very thirsty, so take care to check the water level in the stand often: two hours after you first set it up, and at least daily from then on. The water level should always be above the bottom of the tree's trunk. Your tree will keep its needles longer and be more fire resistant if it is kept well watered.

You can purchase your Christmas tree permit for \$5.00 from the Evans Notch Ranger Station on Route 2 in Bethel, Maine, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If you'd like more information, please visit our office or call us at 824-2134.



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Rotary Club notes

The Tuesday, Dec. 8 Rotary Club breakfast meeting was held at the Bethel Masonic Hall. The Eastern Star members were thanked for providing delicious breakfasts and a nice facility for the past few weeks.

Our guest speaker for the morning was Ingrid Hedlund, exchange daughter of Randall and Nancy Harrison. Ingrid is from the Northern part of Sweden, above the Arctic Circle. She gave a wonderful slide show and narrative on life in her home region.

Dewaine Craig announced that Rotarians are invited to help set up the Nativity scene and then take it down Monday morning.

George Larson had Rotary Information and reflected on how we, as Rotarians, are having a positive effect all over the world, as Rotary is active in most places where people are in need.

Guests for the morning were Kevin Zinchuk, M.J. Reed; Nancy and Jack Dennis; Teresa Curtis, a sophomore FACT committee member, and Ed Damon from Zebra Financial Services.

Members were reminded that instead of a regular meeting, the Dec. 15 meeting will be at the Rotary Senior Citizen Luncheon to be held at the Bethel American Legion Hall.

From the Bethel Area Chmb. of Commerce

Many, many thanks to Jack Cronin and the staff of the Sudbury Inn who provided a beautiful setting and delicious food for the Chamber's Annual Christmas Party. All who attended had a wonderful time.

The board of directors, at their regular monthly meeting voted to accept three new board members: Bob Chadbourne, owner of P.H. Chadbourne Co.; Joe Cardello of Bohac-Cardello Associates and Dr. Joe DeMarco, D.C. It's great to have these folks willing to play an active part in representing our 140 members.

A Bethelpoly Sales Committee of Mary Jo Kennett, Linda Varrell and Lal Faulkner volunteered to help market these great games. They are now available at many locations throughout the Bethel area.

The new board of directors is comprised of president, Linda Varrell; Karen Hakala, president elect; Cherie Thurston, secretary; George Larson, past president and treasurer is to be determined at January's meeting.

Mid-week ski passes and corporate daily passes are available to Chamber members for both Ski Mt. Abram and Sunday River Ski Resort. They may be purchased at the chamber office.

BINGO BUCKS BENEFIT CHRISTMAS FOR FAMILIES

A benefit bingo sponsored by the Jackson-Silver American Legion Post and the Passamaquoddy Indian Nation netted \$2,160 for the Christmas for Families project.

Program coordinator Nina Wheeler said 123 people played the benefit game. A food sale also brought in another \$251, she said. "I'm so excited that I can go out and spend this kind of money on the kids," Wheeler said. "I've got my list of things to get for teenagers in hand, and I'm going to buy hats, mittens and stocking stuffers."

Anyone who would like to donate to the program can contact Wheeler at 836-3600.

Mahoosuc Arts notes:

The stage came alive Saturday night when the Robinson Ballet Co. of Bangor performed to an overflowing crowd at Telstar High School's, Helen Berry Auditorium. The 7 p.m. performance was delayed as fans of this century old, traditional Christmas ballet waited patiently for extra seating to be arranged and advance ticket holders to be seated. By 7:15 the performance began with no one turned away.

Introduced by local dance instructor Sue Farrar, the 40-member troop began the story of Clara's dream journey to Toyland with her Nutcracker Prince by parading in front of the stage prior to a dramatic rise of the curtain. The brilliant Victorian costumes of children and adults alike made an effective contrast to the simple scenery and the mystifying darkness of Godfather Drosselmeier.

The audience of Bethel area residents and Thanksgiving weekend visitors seemed to especially enjoy the frightful mouse masks and the delicate Dancing Snowflakes. The Spanish Chocolate Dance, the Arabic Coffee Dance, the Chinese Parasol Dance, the Russian Cossack Dance, and the Gingerbread Queen who lifted her enormous skirts to release her dancing children, all drew enthusiastic applause. Budding dancers in the audience must have been inspired by the talented children participating with confident adults on stage.

But the real show stoppers were the Sugarplum Fairy and her Prince. Poised on Joe, the Sugarplum Fairy twirled, leaped, and dipped with grace as her Prince executed strong leaps and terrific twists and turns. The audience rewarded their precise and beautiful effort with hearty applause. When the ballet ended, Sue Farrar graciously brought flowers to the cast, and parents took their happy, sleepy children home.

This program was made possible by the generous support of the Maine Arts Commission.

Task Force notes:

The Bethel Area Task Force met Sunday, Dec. 13. Things seem to be lively in the Bethel community, and reports were given on a number of Community Conference-related activities and projects.

The Education Fair was held on Nov. 13 and received excellent response from participating organizations. A video of the event will be shown on Channel 4 Thursday, Dec. 17 at 7 p.m. Copies of the booklet, "Education, Cooperation and Communication," are available at the Bethel Library and the Chamber of Commerce. Donations are appreciated. Thanks to the following organizations who contributed to the Fair: Gould Academy, Sunday River Inn, Les Otten, Community Concepts, S. Timberlake, Bonnema Pottery, Maine Street Realty, Wild River Adventures, NTL.

A project to plan for retirement congregate living in the area was reported by Deb Michaud, who is part of a planning committee now sponsored by the Bethel Area Health Center. The group has made good progress in its initial plans and will meet on Jan. 7.

The Just Imagine Coffee House opens on the first and third Saturday nights of each month, 7 p.m. at the West Parish Congregational Church. This is good, family entertainment in a smoke- and chemical-free environment and is open to the public. The next coffee house is Saturday, Jan. 2 at 7 p.m. and will present Anne Dodson, who hosts a weekly show on Public Radio that features folk, traditional, and contemporary music.

The committee to plan for a Community Center has recently aligned with the Community Chemical Awareness Team and other interested Telstar staff and community members. This group is aggressively planning a teen center in Bethel.

A committee has been formed to plan a diversity workshop and will begin its work in March.

The Task Force will continue to meet regularly in an effort to coordinate these and related developments in the area and invites other individuals to join in this coordination. The next meeting is Sunday, Jan. 31, at 7 p.m.

Note: A pair of colorful gloves with green fingertips was left at the fair. If they are yours, you may call Nan Timberlake at 824-2234.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The Bethel United Methodist Women met Friday, Dec. 4, 1992 for their annual Christmas potluck dinner in the church dining room, hosted by the officers. A delicious dinner in Christmas decor was enjoyed.

At 1 p.m. the meeting was called to order by President Ginny Keniston. Devotions given by Vice Pres. Lyndell Carter. Secretary and Treasurer reports were read and approved. Thirteen present. Sick calls 42. Flag salute. Ginny asked each one to respond as to what they were thankful for. Nominating committee reported the following as officers for

1993: President: Ginny Keniston, Vice President: Linda Saunders, Secretary: Musa Brown, Treasurer: Sarah Stevens, Verna Dyke will pack Christmas boxes for the shut-ins Dec. 17 at 1 p.m.

Birthdays for December: Musa Brown, Jane Young, Mary Paine, Verna Dyke, Sarah Stevens and Edna York. Betty Perkins played Santa and an exchange of gifts was enjoyed. Some secret pals exchanged gifts. A gala party was enjoyed by all.

Next meeting is Thursday Jan. 7, 1993 at 1 p.m. Program "Prayer and Self Denial." Top priority for 93 will be getting new members.

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Marc Jalbert, an Auburn-Lewiston native, has directed and played compositions in Maine and New England for over a decade with the Silverwood.

Bridget Ragan, who will be singing in the holiday program, is an Auburn resident. She has numerous roles in musical productions and performed as a member and soloist with a variety of groups.

Also appearing is Greg Bonner on the violin. He has been a professional fiddler for 20 years and has been a member of the Maine State Music Program since 1975. He has played the viola with the Bethel Chamber Ensemble and the Bethel Symphony.

Seating is limited. Tickets are \$5. The performance is part of a series of Chamber Music presentations planned once a month for December, January, February and March. Anyone interested can call 583-4143 for more information.

BETHEL SENIOR CITIZENS HOLD CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Bethel Senior Citizens of the Congregational Church for their annual Christmas Party will present. The tables were decorated with red and green and with a beautiful poinsettia in the center of each table, which was given to them after the party. Ronald Stevens gave the blessing, which was followed by a delicious ham dinner.

Many thanks go to the Dow Bakery for the gift of a beautiful birthday cake. The December birthdays are: Musa Brown, Gertrude Hutchins, Mary E. Ernest Perkins, Harold P. Sarah Stevens, Julia Brown, F. Rowe, Margery Swan, F. Haines, Edna York, J. Kim Richard Hosterman, Ruby Ju and Jane Young.

Helen Saunders announced the January meeting which will be held on Jan. 13, 1993 at the Methodist Church. Lindley Wieden introduced the Gould & Cappella singers, who performed with several Christmas songs.

Santa Claus arrived with his bag of candy canes. His helpers Kimball, Louise Twitchell, Richard Carter gave out presents.

The party ended with Linda Wieden presenting a gift from the club of a tote bag to our president Helen Saunders.

OVERNIGHT DOG SLEDDING TRIP FOR NEWRY YOUTH

The Newry Recreation Commission is sponsoring a Junior Maine overnight dog sledding trip for Newry youths. Kevin Slater will take ten youngsters 13-16, to Umbagog Lake two days and one night on Dec. 10 and 11.

The group will learn dog sledding techniques and winter camping.

The fee is \$25 and pre-registration is required. Anyone interested contact Sylvia Gray at the town office on Tuesdays and Thursdays 824-3123.

An informational meeting trip will be held on Jan. 7 at the Newry town office.

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ALASKAN EXPOSURE—Kelly Cole of the U.S. Air Force has been stationed in Alaska for the past two years. She told her sister Sadie's second-grade class last week what life is like in the country's biggest state. The students also watched a video of Alaskan animals, which included caribou, moose, red fox, black bears, sea lions, puffins, king salmon, grizzly bears and more. The students all took home some volcanic dust Kelly collected from sweeping up after the 1990 eruption of Mt. Redoubt. (Photo by Wendy Hanscom)

IRS OFFERS TRAINING

The Internal Revenue Service will offer free, basic income tax preparation training in January. Interested individuals will participate in a volunteer tax preparation program.

The training is part of the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, VITA program, which is designed to assist low income, elderly or person's with disabilities with the preparation of their income tax returns. The IRS has sponsored this volunteer program for over 20 years. Daytime VITA training classes are

being scheduled for Augusta, Bangor, Brunswick, E. Millinocket, Lewiston, Portland, Presque Isle, Rockland and Saco. Self-study instruction is available for volunteers who cannot attend class during the day.

Individuals or organizations interested in the VITA program should contact the IRS at 1-800-829-1040, or 207-622-8328 (in Maine) or by writing the IRS at P.O. Box 1020, Augusta, Maine 04332. IRS VITA Coordinator Nancy Dutton, will be accepting volunteers through Dec. 31.

Adult Learning Center receives major grant

The Adult Learning Center operated by Adult Education of the Telstar Region at the Ethel Bisbee School in Bethel has received a \$25,000 grant from The Betterment Fund created by the Will of William Bingham, 2nd.

Cathy Newell, Director of Adult Education, recently announced the grant award to the SAD 44 board of directors. The grant will allow the Adult Education program to equip a state-of-the-art computer laboratory at the Adult Learning Center for use in basic skills and literacy instruction, as well as for computer training for adults. According to Newell, there will also be lab hours for individual computer use.

The grant will also provide for some building renovations to bring the annex level of the learning center into compliance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, to create a quiet testing area, to improve access to two rooms on the upper level, and to allow for eventual receipt of the University of Maine's Interactive Television classes at the Center.

The Adult Learning Center houses daily adult basic skills classes during the morning hours, as well as general adult programming. This fall Women Unlimited, a job-training program to acquaint women with non-traditional occupations, was in residence for the month of November, and the staff development project of the University of Maine held a variety of regional staff development workshops for adult educators at the site throughout the fall. The Even Start Family Literacy program has been using space in the learning center since November, and a number of literacy volunteer tutors meet with students at the facility.

The community computer lab will

consist initially of 6 IBM-compatible computers with printers. The computers will have a wide array of software for both basic skills instruction and for popular business applications. At least one machine will be equipped with a CD-ROM drive.

The timeline for the project provides for building improvements to be undertaken during the Christmas vacation, and completed during February vacation. The computers are expected to be installed in January, with lab use to be implemented throughout the winter and spring terms. The addition of IV reception is dependent upon technological improvements underway by the University of Maine.

Planning for the improvements has been a project of the Adult Education 2000 committee. The primary mission for the project is to improve the delivery of literacy and basic skills services to adult learners and to provide access to technology to those in the community who lack such access. "The Adult Education 2000 committee and the staff and students are grateful to the trustees of The Betterment Fund for their generosity and faith in the program," Newell said.

Rebels

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all-time high scorer Bailey to graduation has also hurt the team, Dunham said.

But the Rebels aren't going to just call it quits. The team has been working hard on its shooting and ball handling.

"We don't score a lot, so we're working on our shooting skills," Dunham said. "We need to have everybody be able to score. We're also working on moving the ball up the court in control."

This year's starting five all saw work as starters last year. They include seniors Danielle Bernier (5-foot-6), Chelby Cavalero (5-8) and juniors Sheri Myers (5-7), Jen Bean (5-5) and Teresa Curtis (5-5).

Others returning for another year of varsity play are juniors forwards



CIVIL WAR CHRISTMAS RECALLED—Andover Elementary School principal Charlie Plummer portrayed Civil War Union General Denby at special program Friday for Crescent Park School fifth-graders. The character Denby told the students story about the plight of one soldier and his efforts to bring his children Christmas presents during the war. (Photo by Ellen Greeke)

Dawn Seames and Melissa Howe and sophomore guards Laura Seames and Sarah Boynton.

Playing their first year of varsity ball are junior Christy Silver, sophomores Beth Craig and Augusta Yates, and freshman M.J. Learned.

Dunham said the team hasn't set any specific goals for this year.

"I'd love for us to win a game this season," she said, "but I don't know that we will. I want us to improve

game by game and move the ball with more control up the court. I'd like to improve our scoring and put two or three people in double figures every night.

Telstar lost to Lisbon in the Dec. 4 season opener, 73-33. Bernier led Rebel scoring with 11 points.

Telstar lost again, 63-26, to Carabec on Thursday. Cheri Myers scored eight points and Laura Seames tossed in six.

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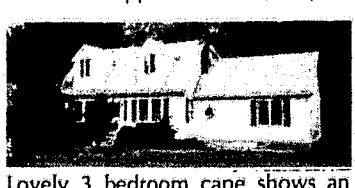
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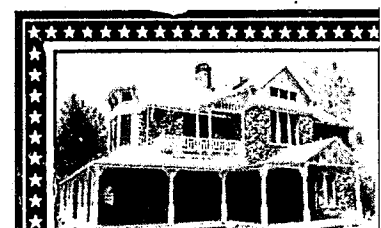
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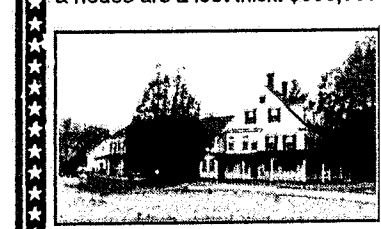
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Foundation in collaboration with a wide array of state-wide organizations and corporations.

In addition to Newell, who is director of Adult and Community Education for SAD 44, the following individuals have been named to the founding board: the Honorable Harriet P. Henry, chair, Commission to Study the Future of Maine's Courts; Richard Dumont, president, University of Maine at Fort Kent; Craig McEwen, professor of sociology and anthropology at Bowdoin College; Edward Barrett, city manager of Bangor; and Paul Fenton, vice president of quality, Bath Iron Works.

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for Maine to qualify for federal trails funding.

Organizations that sent representatives to the MTC's formative meeting included: Kennebec Valley Tourism Council, Backpacker Magazine, Maine ATV Assoc., Maine Appalachian Trail Club, Portland Trails, Maine Bureau of Parks and Recreation, Off-Road Vehicles Div., Maine Dept. of Economic and Community Development, Caribou Recreation and Parks, Maine Snowmobile Association, and Maine Coast Heritage Trust.

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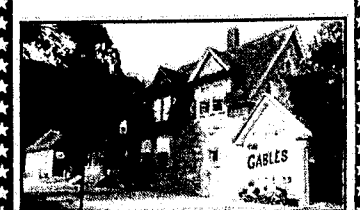
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The State Fire Marshal's Office has urged Mainers to use extra caution with live Christmas trees inside homes this year.

During an 11 day period around Christmas, last year, four persons were killed in Maine fires involving Christmas trees.

State Fire Marshal Dennis Lundstedt said Christmas trees should be fresh and the tree placed in a sturdy tree stand, with plenty of water, in an area not blocking exits. The tree should be kept away from all sources of heat, such as wood stoves, fireplaces and heating registers and should be watered daily.

In addition, all tree lighting with frayed wires or loose connections should be immediately discarded. Lundstedt suggested using miniature lighting instead of larger light bulbs, as a way of prolonging the life of a tree, because the small lights produce less heat.

Lundstedt said, "A dry Christmas tree is the most flammable item found in a house and once ignited will literally explode and be totally consumed within seconds."

The Fire Marshal also suggested that Christmas is an ideal time to replace the batteries on all smoke detectors in the house.

Last year, a mother and her infant were killed in a Dec. 22 fire that engulfed their Brewer apartment, and on New Year's Day, two children were killed in a house fire in Dixfield. Fire Marshal investigators concluded that both fires involved a Christmas tree.

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There will be intensive discussions of the subject areas, as well as hands-on applications. There will be a field trip to the University of Maine at Orono to meet with the specialists and visit the various resource labs on campus. There also will be an in-service field trip in August to Highmoor Farm in Monmouth to observe the orchard and small fruit trials there. The course is tentatively scheduled to begin in mid February. For more information, contact the Oxford County office of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension at 743-6329 or 1-800-287-1482.



RINGING IN THE SEASON—A group of the West Parish Congregational Church bell ringers performed Sunday at the Crescent Park School family fun day. Here Amy Davis, left, Gertrude Hutchins, Jean Bass, Mary Valentine, Ruth Silver, Walter Hatch and Brendon Bass toll holiday tidings. The group will perform again at the church's Christmas Eve service, which begins at 7 p.m. (Photo by Wendy Hanscom)

PARIS TO CELEBRATE BICENTENNIAL THIS SUMMER

The Paris Bicentennial Committee met Oct. 27 to firm up plans for an 8K road race scheduled for Saturday, June 26 to help celebrate the town's 200th anniversary.

The Maine State 8K Downhill Race will be coordinated by John Titus. It will begin at 8 a.m. at the Paris Hill Baptist Church and end at Oxford Hills High School.

Following the race a breakfast for all participants and the public is planned at 9:15 a.m. at a place to be decided later.

The committee is hoping to use a bus to transport entrants from the school grounds where the entrants will park their vehicles to the starting point on Paris Hill. The first 100 entrants will receive free Bicentennial T-shirts. The race will be advertised in the appropriate racing magazines and in programs or race flyers. A T-shirt design will also be developed.

The committee plans to charge \$8 for early race entrants and \$10 for

those registering after June 24. The group is also investigating police assistance at intersections.

A bicentennial history book is also now in the final stages of publication. It will have 266 pages of cemetery data alone and will also include births, deaths, business and church information.

The committee had also discussed holding two dances for various age groups, but will instead hold one dance with the evening divided into time periods such as old-timers, teenagers, country-western and square dancing.

The planned parade will feature old automobiles and the vehicles will also be displayed in Moore Park.

The committee is also looking for the oldest person in each corner of town to ride in the parade accompanied by any nurses or aides

necessary. Anyone who thinks they qualify should contact a committee member. Parade planners are also searching for horses, wagons, old buggies, school bands and as many old-time costumes as possible.

The committee is also collecting old-time recipes and should have a cookbook published soon including recipes from the Finnish community.

The committee has also compiled a listing of old houses for a planned tour.

Plans for a bicentennial calendar have been dropped and stationery will be printed instead.

The committee is also looking for anyone who would like to make a patchwork quilt square depicting any of the historic buildings in town. Twelve inch squares are planned. Anyone who would like to help with the quilt can call 674-2005 or 743-8661.

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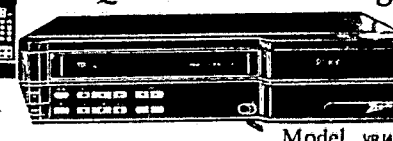
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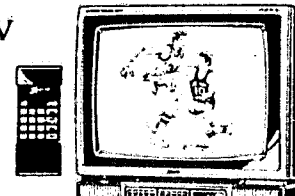


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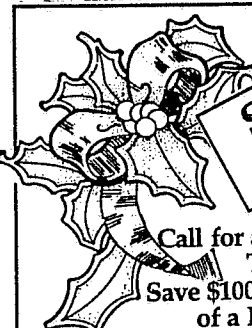
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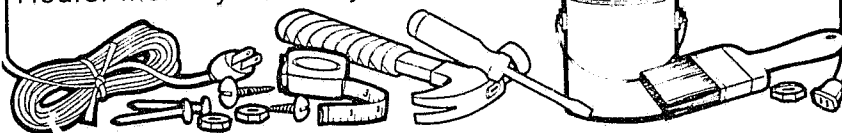
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Hours will be 9:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. on December 24th and 31st.

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Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis (November 17, 1992)

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. Type of Application: New License
b. Project No.: 2333-005
c. Date Filed: December 30, 1991
d. Applicant: Rumford Falls Power Company

e. Name of Project: Rumford Falls Project

f. Location: On the Androscoggin River, Oxford County, Maine

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(f)

h. Applicant Contact: Mr. Robert L. Stickney, Rumford Falls Power Co., c/o Boise Cascade Corp., Rumford, ME 04276, (207) 364-4521.

i. FERC Contact: Michael Dees (202) 219-2807

j. Deadline Date: January 15, 1993

k. Status of Environmental Analysis: This application has been accepted for filing and is ready for environmental analysis at this time - see attached standard paragraph D5.

l. Description of Project: The project structures consist of two discrete generating facilities, the Upper Station Development and the Lower Station Development. The existing project has a total nameplate generator capacity of 39.35 megawatts (MW), a maximum hydraulic capacity of 7,300 cubic feet per second (cfs), and an average annual generation of about 270,302 megawatt-hours (MWH).

Upper Station Development: The Upper Station Development's principal features consist of the Upper Dam, a forebay, a powerhouse, four short penstocks, the Upper Station powerhouse, an impoundment, two transmission lines, and appurtenant facilities. The existing development has a total nameplate generator capacity of 26.55 MW, a maximum hydraulic capacity of 4,500 cfs, and an average annual generation of about 170,817 MWH. In detail, the project is described as follows:

1) the concrete gravity Upper Dam, consists of a 464-foot-long by 37-foot-high spillway section, with a crest elevation of 598.74 feet mean sea level (msl), topped with a 2.5-foot-high pin-supported wooden flash-

boards;

2) a forebay, about 2,300 feet long by 150 feet wide;

3) a powerhouse containing eight headgates, 2 for each of the four penstocks, trashracks, and other appurtenant equipments;

4) four underground steel-plated penstocks, each about 110 feet long, three of which are 12 feet in diameter, and one of 13 feet diameter;

5) the masonry Upper Station powerhouse, integral with the dam, occupies two adjoining sections: (a) the Old Station, about 30 feet wide by 120 feet long by 92 feet high, equipped with one horizontal unit (with a 97-foot-net head), and (b) the New Station, about 60 feet wide by 140 feet long by 76 feet high, equipped with three vertical units (one unit with a 97-foot-net head, and two units, each with a 96-foot-net head), all four units totaling (c) a rated capacity of 26.55 MW, (d) a maximum hydraulic capacity of 4,500 cfs, and (e) an average annual generation of about 170,817 MWH;

6) an impoundment, with (a) a surface area of about 419 acres (AC); (b) a gross storage capacity of 2,900 acre-feet (AF), but a negligible useable storage capacity; (c) a normal maximum headwater elevation of 601.24 feet msl and tailwater elevation of 502.74 feet msl;

7) one 6,000-foot-long and one 5,200-foot-long, 11.5 kilovolt (kv) transmission lines; and

8) appurtenant facilities.

Lower Station Development: The Lower Station Development's principal features consist of the Middle Dam, the Middle Canal headgate structure with a waste weir section, the Middle Canal, the Lower Station powerhouse, two penstocks - each with a surge tank, the Lower Station powerhouse, an impoundment, a small transmission line, and appurtenant facilities. The existing development has a total nameplate generator capacity of 12.80 MW, a total maximum hydraulic capacity of 2,800 cfs, and an average annual generation of about 99,485 MWH. In detail, the project is described as follows:

1) the rock-filled, wooden-cribbed, and concrete-capped Middle Dam, consists of 328.6-foot-long by 20-foot-high gravity spillway section, with a crest elevation of 501.74 feet msl, topped with a 1.0-foot-high pin-supported wooden flashboards;

2) the Middle Canal concrete headgate structure, adjacent to the dam, about 120 feet long, has 10 steel headgates; and continuing perpendicularly to a waste weir section, about 120 feet long, with a crest elevation of 501.6 feet msl, topped with 10-inch-high flashboards;

3) the Middle Canal, about 2,400 feet long, with widths ranging from 75 to 175 feet, and depths from 8 to 11 feet;

THOUGHTS FROM THE
Pastor's Study

The Bethel Area Clergy Association, with the help of pastors of surrounding churches, brings you these meditations. Not based on any set theme, they will be individual for each pastor. It is hoped you will find in these words comfort and hope for your daily life.

"The angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife; for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost, and she shall bring forth a son and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:20,21).

Christmas is nearly here, the anticipation of the holiday felt by all and many people are already singing great carols such as... Hark! the Herald Angels Sing... and Joy to the World! For the Christian, the Christmas season is a time of deep and abiding praise and thanksgiving to God for sending His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Yet the fact remains that many who do not even profess to know Jesus Christ as Savior will be "celebrating" Christmas. Then on Dec. 26 their minds will swiftly shift and focus on the next holiday, marching ahead toward New Year's Eve and leaving Christmas behind till next year. If you are one who is in this group, may I challenge to consider the following thoughts today.

First, the virgin birth of Jesus

Christ was essential. Scriptures emphatically teach that He was born of a virgin and to deny the virgin birth is to deny the truth of the Bible and the historic teaching of the church. "But when the woman, made under the Law" (Gal. 4:4). Also, the Saviour had to be born of a virgin in order to by-pass the seed of Adam who sinned by disobedience and therefore the sin nature was passed on to all of Adam's descendants born since that time. "Therefore, just as though one man's sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all have sinned" (Romans 5:12).

Second, because Jesus Christ was conceived of the Holy Ghost His nature was perfectly pure and without sin. Again the clear teaching of Scripture is that Jesus Christ was "holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners" (Hebrews 7:26). His whole life was lived without sinning and therefore He was called the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. By so doing, Jesus fulfilled the Old Testament law which required a spotless lamb for the sin-offering.

Finally, because Jesus Christ was born of a virgin and because He lived a sinless life, He was able to die on the Cross as the Sacrifice for our sins... "thou shalt call his name Jesus: for He shall save his people from their sins." This is the true message of Christmas... God sent Jesus Christ to be the Saviour of the world!

Have you seen the truly dark condition of your soul before the piercing light of God's holiness? Have you felt the terrible guilt which comes with the plague of humanity's sinful heart? Then call upon the Name of Jesus Christ and you will find full forgiveness! The Bible teaches with certainty that there is no salvation for those who have not come to Christ for salvation (Acts 4:12). But whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved! (Romans 10:13)

May this Christmas be the time when you receive the Gift of God, the Lord Jesus Christ. May this Christmas find you singing these words to the praise and glory of God!

Come, Desire of nations, come! Fix in us Thy humble home; Rise, the woman's conquering seed, Bruise in us the serpent's head. Adam's likeness now efface, Stamp Thine image in its place; Second Adam from above, Reinstall us in Thy love. Hark! the herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King!

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Obituaries

FLORENCE A. LOVEJOY

Florence A. Lovejoy, 94, died Saturday, Dec. 12, 1992 at the Ledgeview Nursing Home in West Paris, where she had resided since Feb. 11, 1991. She was formerly a resident of Mexico, Rumford and the Andover areas, where she had lived all of her life.

Born in Andover, Oct. 1, 1898, she was the daughter of Charles and Rebecca Swain Lovejoy. She had worked on the family farm for many years and had been a former member of the Lone Mountain Grange in Andover, the Rumford Center and the New Pomona Grange.

She is survived by several cousins. The funeral was held at the Meador & Son Funeral Home on Tuesday. Interment in the spring at the Rumford Center Cemetery.

Donations in her memory may be sent to the Mexico Congregational Church, Maine Street, Mexico, Maine, 04257.

ROGER C. SABIN

Roger Colbath Sabin, 78, husband of Estelle (Dawson) Sabin died Dec. 10, 1992 at a Bangor nursing facility.

He was born Nov. 26, 1914 in Old Town the son of Ralph H. and Augusta (Fling) Sabin. A graduate of Wilton Academy, he attended Farmington Normal School and later was employed by the Hood Milk Co. in Rumford. He served with the Army in the Washington D.C. area during World War II. In 1946 he moved to Orono, where he worked as an insurance salesman for many

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years. Before retiring in 1977, he was employed by the Social Security Administration in the Bangor office for 12 years.

A member of the Orono/Old Town Kiwanis Club, he was also a member of the Wilton Lodge #156 AF & AM of Wilton and Anah Temple Shrine of Bangor.

Surviving in addition to his wife are one son, Roger Dawson Sabin of Andover; one daughter, Rosalind "Linda" Wade of Kennebunkport; three grandsons; a twin sister, Rosalind Searles of Wilton; one cousin, Frances Fling of Old Town; many nieces and nephews.

Private services and interment will be held for the family only. Interment will be in Lakeview Cemetery, Wilton. Gifts in his memory may be made to the Andover Public Library, Andover, Maine 04216 or to the Graves Memorial Library P.O. Box 3911, Kennebunkport, Maine 04046. Arrangements by Brookings-Smith, Bangor.

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EVELYN B. COCKBURN

Evelyn B. Cockburn, 83, of Westbrook, died Saturday evening at a local nursing facility after a long illness.

She was born in Newry, the daughter of Arthur and Lena White Brinck. She graduated from Gould Academy in 1926, and from Bliss Business College in Lewiston.

Mrs. Cockburn was a secretary for the former Judge Crockett in Lewiston for several years and later worked for the law firm of Verill & Dana. She moved in to Massachusetts in 1949 and worked for the architectural firm of Bolt, Beranek, & Newman for 25 years until her retirement in 1974. She also did volunteer work at the Arlington Senior Citizen Center.

She returned to Maine in 1991. She was a member of the A.A.R.P., Golden Age, the Rebekahs and the Belmont United Methodist Church.

She leaves twin sisters Muriel B. Thompson of West Springfield Mass., and Marion B. Jameson of Westbrook.

Graveside services will be held Tuesday at 1 p.m. at Evergreen Cemetery, Stevens Ave. Portland, with Rev. Robert Webster officiating. Arrangements are by Jones, Rich & Hutchins Funeral Home.

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